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BIRTHS.

On the 18th instant, at Gertrude-street, Fitzroy, Melbourne, the wife of the Rev. George Lee, of a son.

On the 23rd instant, at 3, O'Connell-street, Sydney, the wife of John V. Graham, Esq., prematurely of a son, which lived but a short time.

MARRIAGE.

On the 16th instant, at Christ Church, Grafton, by the Rev. R. Winterbotham, Henry O'Brien, youngest son of William Wilson, Esq., Monaltrie, Richmond River, to Emmeline Lizette, only daughter of the late Marshall Douglas Gadsden, Esq., of Sydney.

DEATHS.

On the 18th December, 1868, at Preston, near Yeovils, Somersetshire, Elizabeth, wife John Trask, Esq., aged 68 years.

On the 4th January, at his residence, Elton-terrace, near Bristol, Luke Brewring, aged 80 years.

On the 2nd instant, at Moss Bank, Toowoomba, Queensland, the beloved wife of R. S. Walker, Esq., leaving a large family to mourn their loss, aged 45

On the 23rd instant, at Botany Bay, Alfred Ernest, youngest son of Mr. William and Mary Anne Gamble, aged 1 year and 10 days, of inflammation of the brain.

On the 24th instant, after a short illness, Henrietta, the beloved wife of Joseph Gattenhof, of 123, Castlereagh-street, Sydney, aged 44 years.

SHIP ADVERTISEMENTS.

STEAM TO ENGLAND UNDER 60 DAYS. EAGLE LINE. Steamship GREAT BRITAIN, Captain Gray, R.N.R. NOTICE TO INTENDING PASSENGERS. This favourite steamer will be dispatched for LIVERPOOL direct, on or about the 26th April next.

For particulars of passage money and freight, apply to BRIGHT, BROTHERS, and CO., Melbourne; or WILLIS, MERRY, and LLOYD; DANIELL, KING, and CO., Sydney.

FOR WOOL AND PASSENGERS ONLY. FOR LONDON DIRECT. The well-known steamship KAIKOURA (late belonging to the P. N. Z. and A. R. M. Company), 1500 tons, S. Harry Wright, R.N.R., commander, will be dispatched as above in all next month, and having the whole of her dead weight engaged, offers special inducements to shippers.

Her SALOON ACCOMMODATION is too well known to require comment; and as a limited number of passengers only will be taken, early engagements are necessary.

For freight, and all particulars, apply to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

N.B.—The above will be dispatched as a FULL-RIGGED VESSEL; and Insurances can be effected by her at current rates.

STEAM TO MELBOURNE.—REGULAR WEEKLY COMMUNICATION, by Steamships YOU YANGS and DANDENONG, which will be dispatched as follows:— DANDENONG, THURSDAY, 1st April, at noon, from Struth's (late Q. S. N. Co.'s) Wharf, with passengers and cargo. Freight at lowest current rates.

The saloon is amidships.

Fares—£4; return tickets, £6 10s.

The attention of second-class passengers is directed to the accommodation provided in the above vessels with enclosed cabins for females and families.

Fare—30s.

W. HOWARD SMITH, Agent, Struth's Wharf.

STEAM BETWEEN MELBOURNE AND NEW ZEALAND. The undermentioned steamships will be dispatched by Messrs. M'Meckan, Blackwood, and Co., on the following dates, with passengers, cargo, stock, mails, and parcels:— TO NEW ZEALAND, in March.

The ALHAMBRA, 31st March, via Hokitika.

The OMEO, 6th April, via Bluff and Otago.

The above steamers for New Zealand sail on the dates named for BLUFF HARBOUR, DUNEDIN, LYTTELTON, WELLINGTON, NELSON, GREYMOUTH, and HOKITIKA, and transhipping at Wellington for AUCKLAND, NAPIER, TARANAKI, WANGANUI, &c.

Through tickets to and from all the above-named ports issued by the undersigned.

For rates of passage, freight, and any other information, apply to JOSEPH WARD and CO., 3, Bridge-street.

Intending passengers by the ALHAMBRA must leave Sydney by the A. S. N. Co.'s steamer on SATURDAY, the 27th instant.

THE AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMSHIPS

TO MELBOURNE.—City of Adelaide, Wednesday afternoon, at 4.30. Fares—Saloon, £6; return, £10. Cabin, £3; return, £5 10s. Steerage, £1 10s.

TO HUNTER RIVER.—Coonanbara, to-night, Friday, at 11.

TO CLARENCE TOWN.—Collaroy, Thursday morning, at 7.

TO PATERSON RIVER.—Goods received on Saturday, and forwarded per Collaroy on Monday.

TO BRISBANE.—Yarra Yarra, to-morrow afternoon, Saturday, at 3; and City of Brisbane, Tuesday afternoon, at 5.

TO MARYBOROUGH.—Black Swan, Tuesday afternoon, at 5.

TO ROCKHAMPTON.—Egmont, Wednesday afternoon, at 5.

TO BROAD SOUND and Pioneer River.—Egmont will take cargo to be transhipped at Rockhampton per Tin nee.

TO CLEVELAND BAY via Gladstone and Port Denison.—Auckland, positively Wednesday afternoon, at 5.

FROM BRISBANE TO ROCKHAMPTON, calling at Maryborough and Gladstone.—Steamer every Tuesday, and to Maryborough direct twice a week.

FROM ROCKHAMPTON TO CLEVELAND BAY, calling at intermediate ports.—Tinonee, Tuesday, 30th instant.

Cargo is now being received for transmission to any of the above ports.

NO CARGO received for the steamers going to Melbourne or Queensland after 3 p.m. on their day of sailing.

NOTICE.—Return tickets issued to the Hunter River for one week at a fare and a half.

FREDK. H. TROUTON, Manager.
A. S. N. Co.'s Wharf, Sussex-street.

AUSTRALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. NOTICE.—THIS DAY (Friday) being GOOD FRIDAY, no goods will be received or delivered at this Wharf, except perishable goods or live stock.

FREDK. H. TROUTON, Manager.

H. R. N. S. N. CO.'S STEAM to the HUNTER.—TO-MORROW (Saturday) NIGHT, at 11, the MORPETH.

On MONDAY NIGHT, at 11, the CITY OF NEWCASTLE.

Goods received for Paterson on MONDAY.

F. J. THOMAS, Manager.
Offices, foot of Market-street.

C. AND R. R. S. N. COMPANY.—For GRAFTON, CLARENCE RIVER, via NEWCASTLE.—The AGNES IRVING, on TUESDAY, 30th instant, at 10 o'clock p.m.

W. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

C. AND N. E. S. N. CO.'S STEAMSHIPS FOR GRAFTON.—HELEN MACGREGOR, TO-MORROW, at 8 p.m.

SUSANNAH CUTHBERT, TUESDAY.

C. WISEMAN, Manager.
Office—Commercial Wharf.

STEAM TO HOBART TOWN, calling at WELSHPOOL, PORT ALBERT.—CITY OF HOBART, from Grafton Wharf, on MONDAY, 5th April, at 4 p.m.

WILLIS, MERRY, and LLOYD.

ABERDEEN CLIPPER LINE.—For LONDON.—NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.—The following first-class vessels, making an average passage of 80 days, will be dispatched on or about the following dates:—

	Tons.	Commander.	
WOOLLOOMOOLOO	627	Stewart	March.
SIR JOHN LAWRENCE	879	Fernie	April.
NINEVEH	1174	Barnet	May.
STRATHDON	1011	Pile	June.
WALTER HOOD	968	Latto	July.

The dietary arrangements are superior, and each vessel carries an experienced surgeon.

Apply to MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO., O'Connell-street.

ABERDEEN CLIPPER LINE.—For LONDON.—The well known clipper ship WOOLLOOMOOLOO, 627 tons register, John Stuart, commander, having nearly the whole of her cargo on board and down, will sail in a few days. Has comfortable and roomy saloon accommodation.

Apply on board, at Circular Quay; or to MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

FOR WOOL AND PASSENGERS ONLY.

For LONDON.—To sail the end of March, the celebrated frigate-built ship HARKAWAY, A1 at Lloyds, 814 tons register, R. V. R. Cottier, commander. This splendid ship, possessing a full poop, with roomy well-ventilated cabins, is particularly well suited for first-class passengers. Having all her dead weight on board, and a considerable portion of her wool engaged, she will meet with prompt dispatch.

Wool received at Marsden's stores.

GEORGE A. LLOYD and CO., Agents.

SHIP ADVERTISEMENTS.

ILLAWARRA S. N. COMPANY'S STEAMERS TO

WOLLONGONG.—Illalong, TO-MORROW, at 9 a.m.
KIAMA.—Illalong, TO-MORROW, at 9 a.m.
SHOALHAVEN.—Illalong, TO-MORROW, at 9 a.m.
ULLADULLA.—Illalong, TUESDAY, at noon.
CLYDE RIVER.—Illalong, TUESDAY, at noon.
MERIMBULA.—Hunter, WEDNESDAY, at 11 a.m.
MORUYA.—Kiama, FRIDAY, 9th April.

ILLAWARRA S. N. COMPANY. EASTER EXCURSIONS.

RETURN TICKETS at SINGLE FARES will be issued for the steamers of this company between SYDNEY, WOLLONGONG, KIAMA, and SHOALHAVEN, available from THURSDAY, the 25th instant, to THURSDAY, the 1st April, inclusive.

Phœnix Wharf, 22nd March, 1869.

EASTER EXCURSIONS AT SINGLE FARES.

The ILLALONG, TO-MORROW (Saturday) MORNING, at 9, for WOLLONGONG, KIAMA, and SHOALHAVEN, returning to Sydney late on Easter Monday.

PARRAMATTA AND RIVER STEAMERS.—From foot of King-street, THIS DAY, at 7, 9, 11 a.m.; 1, 3, 5, 7 p.m.

From PARRAMATTA—6.50, 8.50, 11 a.m.; 1, 3, 5 p.m.

Calling at Cockatoo, Hunter's Hill, Gladesville, Ryde, Pennant Hills, Newington, and Subiaco.

PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAMERS. CHEAP EXCURSIONS, EASTER MONDAY.

The Steamers ADELAIDE and PELICAN will ply as under, from foot of King-street:—

From SYDNEY—7, 9, 11 a.m.; 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11 p.m.

From PARRAMATTA—6.50, 8.50, 11 a.m.; 1, 3, 5, 7 p.m.

Fares at the usual low rates.

PARRAMATTA STEAMER PREMIER.—The fastest, cheapest, and most punctual steamer, from Patent Slip Wharf 9, 1, and 5; from Parramatta, 6.50, 11, and 3. Cabin, 6d. Return, 9d.

WATSON'S BAY STEAMER on GOOD FRIDAY.—The VESTA leaves Circular Quay, 10.30, 12, 2.30; Woolloomooloo, 10.45, 12.15, 2.45. Last boat from the Bay, 5 o'clock. Return ticket, 1s.

EXCURSION TO MANLY BEACH THIS DAY (GOOD FRIDAY). Steamers BREADALBANE and PHANTOM will leave Queen's Wharf, 10, 11, 2.30

Woolloomooloo, 10.15, 11.15, 2.30

Manly Beach, last boat 5 p.m.

FARE—RETURN TICKET, 1s 6d; Children, 1s.

THOMAS HESELTON.

EXCURSION TO MANLY BEACH. EASTER MONDAY. The fast and commodious steamers BREADALBANE, PHANTOM, from Queen's Wharf, 10, 11, 12, 2.30

Woolloomooloo, 10.15, 11.15, 12, 3.45

Manly Beach, last boat, 5 p.m.

FARE—RETURN TICKET, 1s 6d; Children, 1s.

THOMAS HESELTON.

STEAM TO BRISBANE WATER.—ALCHYMIST. This Morning, at 8 sharp. Patent Slip Wharf.

WOOL and PASSENGERS ONLY.—To sail 6th April, for LONDON, the magnificent clipper ship WINEFRED, A1 at Lloyd's, noted for making quick passages in the Melbourne trade. Superior accommodation for passengers.

Apply to Captain PENNINGTON; or to YOUNG and LARK; or WILLIS, MERRY, and LLOYD.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO direct.—The A1 13 years at Lloyd's clipper ship LADY ANN, 1320 tons, D. Wilson, commander, will be dispatched on or about the 12th of April, taking first cabin passengers.

This vessel has unrivalled accommodation for families, having large state-rooms, with every convenience.

Early application is necessary to secure a passage in this well-known and favourite ship, to H. H. HALL, U. S. Consul, 21, Bligh-street.

SAN FRANCISCO MONTHLY LINE OF PACKETS.—A vessel, fitted for passengers, leaves direct each month. California never offered greater inducements to all classes. Intending emigrants can obtain every information, and secure passages, by applying to H. H. HALL, U. S. Consul, 21, Bridge-street.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—The clipper ship NEREUS will leave Newcastle on or about 2nd April next, carrying SALOON PASSENGERS ONLY. The ship provides beds, bedding, &c.

For rates of passage, &c., apply to LORIMER, MARWOOD, and ROME, Agents, 30, Hunter-street.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO DIRECT.—An A1 American CLIPPER SHIP, 1260 tons, will be dispatched on the 10th April. The accommodations for Steerage Passengers are very commodious, the height between decks being 7 feet 6 inches. The first and second Cabins are also of a very superior description. Amongst the passengers already engaged is a Catholic Priest, who wished the same to be notified. For rates apply to H. H. HALL, U. S. Consul, 21, Bridge-street.

FOR OVALAU direct.—The regular trader GEM, 150 tons, Captain Norcliffe, having engaged a large portion of her cargo, will have quick dispatch.

For freight or passage apply to C. M. DEANE, Fiji Agency, 32, Bridge-street.

FOR OVALAU AND SAVU SAVU BAY direct.—The clipper schooner SEA WITCH, Captain B. Hughes, 100 tons, now receiving cargo at Campbell's Wharf, will sail for the above in a few days.

For freight or passage apply to C. M. DEANE, 32, Bridge-street.

FIRST VESSEL for OVALAU, FIJI.—The clipper barque NORMAN, R. Milne, commander, is now fast loading, and will positively be dispatched on WEDNESDAY next, full or not full. Intending passengers and shippers are requested to make their arrangements at once.

For freight or passage apply on board, at Campbell's Wharf; or to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

FIRST VESSEL FOR AUCKLAND.—The favourite regular trader PRINCE ALFRED, Captain C. Watson, will be dispatched punctually TO-MORROW, Saturday.

Shippers will please complete shipments, pass entries, and forward bills of lading for signature TO-MORROW, at noon.

Has superior accommodation in cabin and steerage.

For freight or passage apply to J. J. WRIGHT and CO., 69, Pitt-street; or W. R. HILL, Grafton Wharf.

FIRST VESSEL FOR AUCKLAND, carrying Cargo for NAPIER, NELSON, WELLINGTON, PICTON, LYTTELTON, OTAGO BLUFF, TARANAKI, HOKITIKA and WANGANUI, to be transhipped to the above ports, by one of the CIRCULAR SAW LINE OF STEAMERS.—The favourite regular Circular Saw Line trader KATE, W. Cooper, commander, is now fast loading, and, having the larger portion of her cargo engaged, will positively clear and sail on WEDNESDAY.

For freight or passage, apply on board at the Market Wharf; or to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

FOR PORT COOPER direct.—The regular trader JOHN KNOX, B. Jenkins, commander, having a large portion of her cargo engaged, will have quick dispatch.

For freight or passage apply on board, at Grafton Wharf; or to LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

ONLY VESSEL FOR THE GULF OF CARPENTARIA, CALLING AT INTERMEDIATE PORTS.—The new clipper schooner MARGARET AND JANE, 80 tons burthen, J. Till, commander, having nearly the whole of her cargo engaged, will be quickly dispatched.

For freight or passage, apply on board, at the Patent Slip Wharf; or to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

GULF OF CARPENTARIA.—The CAPTAIN COOK, 60 tons, quick dispatch. O'DOUD and CO.

RICHMOND RIVER.—Schooner COMMERCE to all parts; sails THIS DAY. Wright's Wharf.

SHIP NINEVEH, from London.—Consignees are requested to pass their ENTRIES without delay for the Circular Quay. All goods not passed for within seven days will be landed under imperfect entry.

Bills of lading must be produced and freight paid at the office of the undersigned, where delivery orders may be obtained.

MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

BARQUE MINNIE GRAHAM, from London.—Consignees are requested to pass their ENTRIES for Throckmorton's Wharf without delay.

Any goods not passed for within seven days will be landed under imperfect entry.

Bills of lading must be produced, and freight paid, at the office of the undersigned, where delivery orders may be obtained.

MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.

FOR SALE.—The British barque TASSO, 264 tons register. Apply to JOHN D. FOTHERINGHAM, Auctioneer, Broker, &c., 324, George-street, over Sandon's

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SHIP GLENDOWER for LONDON.—All ACCOUNTS against this vessel must be sent in to the undersigned before noon on SATURDAY, or they will not be recognised.

JOHN FRAZER and CO., 97 and 99, York-street.

FOR SALE or CHARTER the A1 barque AUSTRALIND, 490 tons, A. Barrack, commander. For all particulars apply to LAIDLEY, IRELAND, and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

FOR SALE, a comfortable gentleman's SKIFF, gear complete, very cheap. 24, Wynyard-square.

THE CALIFORNIA DRY DOCK COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, U. S.

NOTICE TO SHIPOWNERS, AGENTS, CONSIGNEES, AND MASTERS.

The COMPANY'S DRY DOCKS, situate at HUNTER'S POINT, San Francisco, are now completed and in successful operation, and afford every facility for the Docking and Repair of all classes of STEAM and SAILING VESSELS. The GRAVING DOCK, excavated in the solid rock, and finished in the most substantial manner, is of the following dimensions:—

Extreme length, 450 feet; length on blocks, 416 feet; width at the top, 120 feet; depth, 30 feet; width at entrance, 90 feet. At mean high tide will take in a ship drawing 22 feet without lightening.

This Dock is fitted with a Caisson Gate, and is supplied with two powerful Centrifugal Steam Pumps, capable of pumping out the dock in two hours.

The FLOATING DRY DOCK will receive vessels of 1500 tons measurement and under. The Dock is 82 feet in width, and 210 feet in length; is built of the soundest Oregon Pine, thoroughly braced and bolted, and is furnished with all the requisites for Docking a Ship successfully. Vessels taken up at all stages of the tide.

The Company feel warranted in stating that Repairs on Vessels can be made as advantageously in San Francisco in respect to cost of materials and labour as in any other part of the world.

For particulars, address JAMES POLLOCK, Superintendent, San Francisco, California, U. S.

WATERVIEW DRY DOCK.

WATERVIEW PATENT SLIP. SHIPWRIGHTS' WORK IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.

The undersigned wish it to be generally known, that they undertake every description of Shipwrights' and Blacksmiths' work, performing the same with the greatest expedition at current rates.

Sailing vessels wanting repairs, or the use of the Dock or Slip, will be towed to and from Waterview FREE OF CHARGE by any of the harbour tug-boats.

THOS. M'ARTHUR and CO., Shipbuilders, Shipwrights, Engineers, Boilermakers, Iron and Brass Founders, Coppersmiths, &c., WATERVIEW BAY, BALMAIN.

N.B.—Town Office, Mort's-buildings, 177, Pitt-street, Sydney, where all inquiries will have immediate attention.

*** Steamers leave the Dock Ferry Wharf, foot of Erskine-street, for the Works, at the hours and half-hours.

CAPTAIN COOK STATUE.

The foundation stone of the pedestal and column intended to support the statue of the illustrious navigator will be laid by H. R. H. the DUKE of EDINBURGH, K.G., in Hyde Park, opposite the Museum, TO-MORROW, Saturday, the 27th instant, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Admission to the enclosure will be by ticket only (not transferable), limited to the members of the Legislature and the Committee.

R. B. SMITH, Hon. Secretary.

CAPTAIN COOK STATUE.—Members of the Committee may obtain Cards of Admission to the enclosure on application to the undersigned.

R. B. SMITH, Hon. Secretary.

CAPTAIN COOK MONUMENT.

TO-MORROW H.R.H. PRINCE ALFRED will lay the FOUNDATION STONE of the Monument in memory of CAPTAIN COOK.

His Excellency the EARL of BELMORE and Suite, and the Legislature, the Officers of the ships of war, and the foreign Consuls grace the ceremonial by their attendance.

Hyde Park, opposite the Museum. The Grand Stands, in point of accommodation and view, have never been surpassed by any edifices of the kind in Sydney.

ADMISSION.

	s.	d.
Galatea stand	2	6
Duke of Edinburgh stand	5	0
Reserved seats, Lady Belmore stand	7	6
Standing room under all the stands	1	0

Tickets may be had on the ground.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the TWENTIETH ANNUAL MEETING of the Members of the Society will be held at the Principal Office, New Pitt-street, Sydney, on THURSDAY, the 22nd day of APRIL next, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of

1. Receiving and considering the REPORT of the DIRECTORS on the Business of the Society for the past year.
2. Electing TWO DIRECTORS in lieu of JOHN HAY GOODLET, Esq., and Professor JOHN SMITH, M.D., who retire in terms of By-law II.
3. Electing an AUDITOR in lieu of Henry Phillips, Esq., who retires in terms of By-law XVII.

The following members have given the requisite notice of their being Candidates to fill the vacancies at the Board of Directors:—

MICHAEL EGAN MURNIN, Esq.,
PROFESSOR JOHN SMITH, M.D.,
BOULTON MOLINEAUX, Esq.

In terms of By-law XLIV, members NOT PRESENT at the meeting may vote, by writing with their own hand, on some date subsequent to the publication hereof, a paper in the following form, showing for whom they respectively vote. And such paper so written must be sent to the Head Office of the Society in Sydney, addressed to the Scrutineers, to the care of the Secretary, viz.,

"I, ————
vote for————
and————
to fill the office of Director or Directors of the Australian Mutual Provident Society.
" Residence ————
" Dated this————day of————1869.
" Signature————."

If two or more papers be received from the same person, without the last thereof expressly revoking all the other ones, none of such papers shall have any effect.

Dated at Sydney, this 23rd day of March, 1869.

By order of the Board,
ALEXANDER J. RALSTON, Secretary.

SYDNEY INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.

The Adjourned Annual General MEETING of the Subscribers to this Institution will be held at St. James's Infant Schoolroom, Castlereagh-street, on WEDNESDAY, 31st March next.

The chair will be taken at 7.30 p.m.

BUSINESS:

The Yearly Report and the Treasurer's Accounts will be submitted for adoption.

The Election of Honorary Office-bearers.

Vacancies in the Board to be filled up.

Vacancies in the Honorary Medical Staff to be filled up.

JOHN E. MANNING, } Joint Hon.
M. H. STEPHEN, } Secretaries.

TATTERSALL'S CLUB.—A MEETING of members of the above Club will be held in the Club Rooms, THIS EVENING, and every evening during the week, to transact business on the forthcoming Homebush Autumn Meeting. Chair to be taken at 8 o'clock.

J. HERALD, Secretary.

UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.—This Bank will be CLOSED on EASTER MONDAY, the 29th instant.

A. SUTHERLAND, Manager.

VOLUNTEER FORCE.—The GUARD of HONOUR for SATURDAY next, will be furnished by the Volunteer Artillery. Brigade Band to attend.

(Signed) WM. CHATFIELD, Captain, Acting Brigade Adjutant.

Volunteer Brigade Office, Sydney, 25th March, 1869.

NAVAL BRIGADE PROVIDENT SOCIETY.—The Delegates are requested to MEET at the Office, on TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at 7.30 p.m. By order, CHARLES BIGGS, Secretary.

DR. MANNING begs to acknowledge, with many thanks, the receipt of a large collection of PERIODICALS and illustrated and other newspapers, presented by the Committee of the St. Leonards School of Arts, through CHARLES H. WOOLCOTT, Esq., for the use of the patients in the above institution.

Hospital for the Insane, Gladesville, 24th March, 1869.

PEDLOW, MAGURREN, and CO. beg to inform the inhabitants of Sydney and suburbs that they will RE-OPEN on SATURDAY, 27th March, those centrally-situated Premises lately occupied by L. and E. Horders, 674, BRICKFIELD-HILL, with a choice and well-selected Stock of Groceries, Oilmen's Stores, and Provisions, when they trust that the public will favour them with a share of their patronage.

PERSONS ADVERTISED FOR.

MRS. CARTER, formerly of Broxbourne, Bury.—Please send your address to J. WALKER, care of Mr. George Slater, Stationer, Brisbane, Queensland.

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ, when last heard of was on board John Wesley, for South Seas.—Your wife wishes to hear from you. Any one knowing the whereabouts of the above-named, would oblige by writing to Mrs. SCHWARTZ, Post-office, Greymouth, N. Z.

R. N.—Never forgotten. I have tried in vain to get situation, but will still try. What are your plans?

ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL SERVICES.

GOOD FRIDAY.

Morning, 11 a.m.; preacher, the LORD BISHOP.
Evening, 7.30 p.m.; preacher, the Rev. Canon O'REILLY.

SATURDAY.

Evening, 7.30 p.m.; preacher, the DEAN.

EASTER SUNDAY.

Morning, 11 a.m.; preacher, the Rev. Canon O'REILLY.
Afternoon, 3.30 p.m.; preacher, the LORD BISHOP.
Evening, 7 p.m.; preacher, the Rev. Canon O'REILLY.

WILLIAM M. COWPER.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.—This church will be OPENED (D.V.) for Divine SERVICE on GOOD FRIDAY, the 26th instant.

The Rev. S. F. MACKENZIE, M.A., Pastor of the church, will conduct the opening service, commencing at 3 o'clock p.m.

At quarter-past 4
H. R. H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH
will plant a
TREE IN COMMEMORATION
of the
OPENING OF THE CHURCH.
At half-past 4
TEA
will be provided in the adjoining grounds.
At 6 o'clock a
PUBLIC MEETING

will be held in the Church, when addresses will be delivered by various ministers and laymen.

Omnibuses will start from Wynyard-square at 2 o'clock, and a special train will be provided, to leave Sydney at half-past 2 o'clock. Visitors from Sydney may return in the evening by train or omnibus.

Tickets for the Tea-meeting (1s. 6d. each) may be had from any of the committee; also of Mr. Gibbs, Ashfield; B. Hammeter, Petersham; or J. L. Sherriff, Wynyard-square; W. Drynan, Wynyard-street; and Robert Downing, George-street, Sydney.

On the following LORD'S DAY, Divine SERVICE will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. LANG, at 11 o'clock; and by the Rev. A. N. MACKRAY, M.A., at 7 o'clock.

HUNTER'S HILL.—On EASTER SUNDAY next, and on every succeeding Sunday, until further notice, DIVINE SERVICE performed at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., by the Rev. G. BAYLEY, M.A., Oxon, in the Schoolroom.

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—The current quarter will end THURSDAY, March 25th. The ensuing quarter will begin WEDNESDAY, March 31st, and end FRIDAY, June 25th.

W. H. CATLETT, Secretary.

12th March, 1869.

THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL, NEWCASTLE.—Visitor: The Lord Bishop of Newcastle.

Head Master: Rev. H. S. Millard, M.A., formerly Scholar of St. John's Coll., Cambridge.

The School will RE-OPEN, THURSDAY, April 1.

Boarders will return on the previous evening.

Terms:—Boarders, £15 15s per quarter; day boys, £4.

THE KING'S SCHOOL, PARRAMATTA.—Easter VACATION commences to-day, March 25th, and will end on Thursday, April 1st. (Roll call at 8 p.m.) Applications for admission to be addressed to the Rev. the Head Master.

GEORGE F. MACARTHUR.

MESSRS. YARRINGTON AND PHILLIPS'S Classical and Commercial School, 31, Botany Road, Railway Station. School will recommence on WEDNESDAY next. Special care taken with writing, arithmetic, &c. Terms, moderate.

MR. SAMPSON'S Classical and Commercial School, Newtown, will REOPEN on THURSDAY.

LADIES' SCHOOL.—Instruction in the usual branches of an English Education.

Per quarter...... £1 1 0 French £1 1 0
Drawing........ 1 1 0 Music 1 1 0

118, Buckingham-street and Cleveland-street.

PARKES' TESTIMONIAL FUND.—At a Public Meeting held in the Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, Sydney, March, 16th, 1869, it was resolved,—"That in recognition of the valuable services rendered by Henry Parkes, Esq., M.L.A., and more especially in regard to the Public Schools Act, to present him with an Estate, to be vested in the hands of trustees for the benefit of Mrs. Parkes and family."

The Sydney Committee earnestly invite the co-operation of the friends of Mr. Parkes throughout the colony to assist in carrying out the above object.

Subscriptions will be received at the various Banks, Municipal Council Chambers, and the Joint Treasurers, W. R. PIDDINGTON, Esq., M.L.A.; and JOSEPH WEARNE, Esq., Anchor Flour Mills, Bathurst-street.

Information and Subscription Lists may be obtained from

JOHN MACINTOSH, } Hon. Secretaries,
JAMES GRAHAM, } 375, Pitt-street, Sydney.

METROPOLITAN INTERCOLONIAL EXHIBITION.

FINE ART DEPARTMENT.

COMMITTEE:
James Barnett, Esq.
J. H. Thomas, Esq.
Charles Woolcott, Esq.
Conrad Martens, Esq.
Arthur Stopps, Esq.

The Committee charged with the conduct of the Fine Art Department of the Exhibition respectfully apply to the owners of paintings, sculptures, drawings, carvings, bronzes, &c., &c., for the loan of the same, to be exhibited in the non-competitive collection. The Society holds itself responsible for the safe keeping and efficient display of such articles.

JULES JOUBERT, Secretary.
227, George-street, March 19th, 1869.

A CARD.

Mr. ISEDORE M. ROSENTHAL
(Graduate of the University of Berlin),
Royal Optician and Oculist,
7, Wynyard-square,
Opposite the Money Order Office,
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Office hours—from 10 till 4 p.m., daily (Sundays excepted).

GOLDSBROUGH, BURT, and CO., 30, Hunter-street, Sydney, R. GOLDSBROUGH and CO., Bourke and William streets, Melbourne, WOOL BROKERS, Live Stock and Station Agents, Sheep and Cattle Salesmen.

Liberal advances on wool for sale or shipment, also on live stock for sale in Sydney, Melbourne, Sandhurst, or Ballarat.

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THOMAS DAWSON (Office address), 434, George-street, Sydney. Stock, Station, and General Commission Agent, Auctioneer, and Valuator.

Sales of Fat Stock conducted at Homebush and Sydney, and Paddocks provided free.

N. B.—Sales held in any part of the country, as heretofore.

BOOK SALE BY AUCTION.—At the request of several gentlemen, the undersigned will hold a Sale of Books, Paintings, Prints, Works of Art, and Fancy Goods, every SATURDAY AFTERNOON, commencing at half-past 2 punctually, on SATURDAY, the 3rd April.

The Regular Saturday's Furniture Sale will be held as usual, from 11 to 1.

J. B. NORTH and CO.,
Commercial Exchange Auction Rooms,
278, George-street.

N.B.—Gentlemen having surplus books in their libraries will please send them in early, so that they may be catalogued.

FREEMASONS' HOTEL, ARMIDALE.

First-class accommodation at the above hotel for gentlemen and families.

Private suites of apartments.

LEWIS BENJAMIN, Proprietor.

N.B.—Parties arriving by mail will please ring hall bell.

ACCOUNTANT, Arbitrator, and Valuator. THOMAS COOK, Bell's-chambers, 171, Pitt-street.

CORNS, bunions, and defective nails cured by Mr. ALEXANDER, Surgeon-Chiropodist, 16, O'Connell-st.

FRUIT and OYSTERS sold on commission; lowest charges. C. Hutchings, Western Market, Melbourne.

MR. J. E. SMYTHE, Surgeon-Dentist, 26, O'Connell-street.

MR. M. EMANUEL, Dentist (late of George-street). 23, Hunter-street. FIRST FLOOR.

MR. C. EDWARDS, Surgeon-Dentist, 6, Bridge-street. Charges reduced to suit the times.

MR. W. GRIEVES, Pianoforte Tuner, &c., removed to 194, Castlereagh-street, two doors from King-st.

SYDNEY CARPET-BEATING GROUNDS, Rushcutter's Bay. ARTLETT and SON, Upholsterers.

T. S. BEAL, Marine Surveyor, and Nautical Arbitrator, 4, Bridge-street.

WILLIAM JOLLY and CO., Timber Merchants, Darling Harbour Steam Saw Mills, Bathurst-st.

CARTES DE VISITE, 10s per dozen, retaken without extra charge. JOHN T. GORUS, 101, King-st.

CARTES DE VISITE, 7s 6d per dozen, or 5s ½-dozen, at J. YATES', 432, George-street, next White Horse.

LOANS ON MORTGAGE.—The Australian Mutual Provident Society is prepared to LEND MONEY upon the security of first-class freeholds, on ordinary fixed mortgage, at 6 per cent. per annum, or repayable by instalments in conformity with the following reduced scale, viz.—

TABLE F.

Instalments required to repay £100 with interest.

In Years.	Half-yearly.	Quarterly.	Monthly.
2	£27 4 6	£13 10 1	£4 9 7
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By order of the Board,
ALEXANDER J. RALSTON, Secretary.

Principal Office, Sydney, 24th July, 1868.

£1000 TO LEND, in various sums, at 8 per cent. W. M. CLARKE, 2, Wentworth-place.

£5 TO £500 to LEND, on Furniture, &c. Bills discounted. Commercial Loan Office, Bell's-chambers.

£5 TO £5000 LENT on Country Property, 6 per cent. HAMBROOK, Dispensary, Pyrmont.

TO MESSRS. COLLINGS, A. C. Macdonald, Cheers, Blackith, Borthwick, Hardie, G. Robertson, and others signing the address.—Port Denison, Queensland.—Gentlemen,—The address with which you have presented me has arrived, and it affords me more than ordinary gratification to find that there is a high appreciation of my endeavours to please and be pleased. It falls to the lot of few to have so substantial a memento of genuine regard. I do not know that I have acted in any way so as to deserve such high approbation as you have been pleased graciously to manifest. It costs but little to be civil, kind, and courteous; but it is pleasing to find that I have left behind me so many kind friends, who evince so marked an interest in my future welfare.

I thank you heartily for your handsome gift, and hope, in adversity or prosperity, to keep your disinterested generosity in everlasting remembrance.

Wishing you in return all the happiness and prosperity which this world can afford.

I remain, yours very sincerely,
W. MACDONALD.

Sydney, March 25th, 1869.

BOROUGH OF MARRICKVILLE.—NOTICE is hereby given that an assessment upon all rateable property within this Borough has been made by the Council thereof, and that a rate of one shilling in the pound for the current municipal year upon the assessed value of such property has been ordered by the said Council, under the provisions of and for the purposes set forth in section 164 of the Municipalities' Act of 1867. Also, that a Court of Petty Sessions will be holden, at 10 a.m., on SATURDAY, the 10th April next, at the Central Police Court, George-street, Sydney, to which any person feeling himself aggrieved by such assessment can appeal, on giving seven days' notice to the Council of such appeal.

G. C. TOMPSON, Council Clerk.
Municipal Council Chambers, Marrickville, 22nd March, 1869.

BOROUGH OF MARRICKVILLE.—To the Owner or Owners of the undermentioned Property.—NOTICE.—That, for the purposes set forth in section 164 of the Municipalities Act of 1867, the following properties have been ASSESSED, and that a rate of One Shilling in the pound upon the assessed value thereof has been levied and imposed by the Council of the Borough for this Municipal year:—

1st. Three allotments of Land, original grantee Edward Laing, situate in Harringdon-street, lying between the properties of Messrs. Hodges and Dupain, belonging to the executors of the late Mr. D. B. Hughes. Assessed value, £7 10s.

2nd. Allotment of land, original grantee Edward Laing, situate in Tupper-street, lying between the properties of Messrs. Williams and Garratty. Assessed value, £3.

3rd. Two allotments of land, original grantee Edward Laing, situate in Emily-street, lying between the properties of Messrs. Pillar and May. Assessed value, £5.

4th. Allotment of Land, original grantee Edward Laing, situate in Cowper-street, adjoining the property of Mr. J. C. Molloy. Assessed value, £2 10s.

5th. Two allotments of land, original grantee Edward Laing, situate on the Enmore Road, lying between the properties of Messrs. Pillar and Teeson. Assessed value, £6.

6th. 94 allotments of land, original grantees G. Johnston and Edward Laing, situate at Norwood. Assessed value, £227.

7th. 12 allotments of land, original grantees G. Johnston and Thomas Moore, situate at Norwood, belonging to the executors of the late Mr. Ingelow. Assessed value, £30.

8th. Six allotments of land, original grantee T. Moore, situate on the Cook's River New Road, Norwood, belonging to the executors of the late Captain D'Acre. Assessed value, £15.

9th. One acre of land, original grantee Thomas Moore, situate in Chapel-street, supposed to belong to Mauldsley. Assessed value, £2 10s.

10th. One acre and 36 perches of land, original grantee Thomas Moore, situate on the Sydenham Road, supposed to belong to one Burrows. Assessed value, £5.

11th. 40 acres of land, original grantee Thomas Moore, situate on Cook's River, belonging to T. D. S. Moffatt. Assessed value, £80.

12th. 3½ acres of land, original grantee Thomas Moore, situate on the Terrace Road, belonging to one M'Lean. Assessed value, £7.

G. C. TOMPSON, Council Clerk.
Municipal Council Chambers,
Marrickville, 22nd March, 1869.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

NOTICE is hereby given that I, ROBERT SMITH, of Rosebank, No. 199, William-street, Sydney, a Bachelor of Arts of the University of Sydney, lately serving under articles of clerkship to George Penkivil Slade, of the Exchange, Sydney, attorney-at-law, intend, on the last day of the present term, to apply for admission as an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales.

Dated this 24th day of March, A.D. 1869.

ROBERT SMITH.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

NOTICE is hereby given that I, ROBERT RAYMOND BAILEY, at present residing at No. 21, Lower Norton-street, Surry Hills, Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, lately serving under articles of clerkship to George Evans, of No. 102, King-street, Sydney aforesaid, gentleman, attorney-at-law, intend to apply, on the last day of the present term, to be admitted an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of March, A.D. 1869.

ROBERT R. BAILEY.

ESTATE of the Honorable JAMES MITCHELL, late of Sydney, Esquire, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that, by an order of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, in its Equitable Jurisdiction, CHARLES JAMES STEVENS, of Sydney, Esquire, has been appointed receiver and manager of the estate of James Mitchell, late of Sydney, Esquire, deceased, and that he is authorised to collect and get in the outstanding personal estate of the said deceased; and all persons indebted to the estate are required forthwith to pay the amounts due by them to the said receiver and manager.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1869.

NORTON and BARKER, Solicitors.

CREDITORS in the ASSIGNED ESTATE of W. N. BLANCHARD, of Windsor, are requested to send in their CLAIMS to the undersigned on or before 30th March instant. A. THOMPSON and CO., 196, Pitt-st.

CAUTION.—Shopkeepers are cautioned against giving CREDIT to any one on my account, unless by written order from myself or Mrs. WEEKES.

NICHOLAS WEEKES, 101, Parramatta-street.

NOTICE.—Mr. M. PHILLIPS, the consignee of one Angora Goat and a Pheasant, per Hero, from Melbourne, is requested to remove the same from our stores.

ELDRED and SPENCE, Agents, Church-hill.

THE SYDNEY MAIL, SATURDAY, 27th March.

Summary of English News by the Mail Steamer
Further from New Zealand—Attack on the Maories—An Escort attacked at the Front—Capture of Tents and Baggage—Murder of Mr. Pitcairn
The TIMES on the New Zealand Troubles
Stella's Letter on Continental Affairs
Summary of Debates in Parliament
Agricultural Matters
Sporting Gazette—Races to Come—Latest Betting—Entries.

*** Published THIS DAY at noon.

LONDON.—The undermentioned Newspaper and Advertising Agents are authorised to receive advertisements, which must be paid in advance, for the SYDNEY MORNING HERALD and SYDNEY MAIL:

Mr. F. ALGAR, 11, Clements-lane, Lombard-street.
Mr. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill, E.C.
Messrs. GORDON and GOTCH, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C.
Mr. T. WILLS, Town Hall Chambers, Birmingham.

Copies of each journal are filed at the above offices for the use of advertisers.

SEE BELL'S LIFE, ON SATURDAY.—Randwick Entries, Latest on Homebush, Tips, &c., English Turf and Aquatics, Chump Correspondence, and all the sporting news of the week.

ILLUSTRATED SYDNEY NEWS.

PRINCE ALFRED AND AUSTRALIA.
GORDON and GOTCH, 281, George-street.

ILLUSTRATED SYDNEY NEWS.

SUMMARY OF NEWS FOR ENGLAND.
GORDON and GOTCH, George-street.

DISTANT READERS prefer an illustrated paper. Send the NEWS; price, 6d.

GIBBS, SHALLARD, and CO., Steam Letter-press and Steam Lithographic Printers, 108, Pitt-street, Sydney.

LEISURE HOUR, 7s 6d; Sunday at Home, 7s 6d; Good Words, 8s 6d, for 1868. Moore's Book Mart.

TELEGRAMS FOR EUROPE.

GREVILLE'S TELEGRAM COMPANY (Reuter's agents) have the satisfaction of informing merchants, bankers, professional men, and others, that the charges of the Indo-European Company have lately undergone considerable reduction, and that they are in consequence enabled to establish lower charges. Messages sent through this company average from 21 to 23 days in their transmission to London.

Printed scale of charges can be had on application.

N.B.—Telegrams to be sent per AVOCA must be lodged at the Office, Bridge-street, not later than 11 a.m., on WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant.

PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.—We, the undersigned, have THIS DAY entered into PARTNERSHIP as Wholesale and Retail Family Grocers.

JAMES PEDLOW.
PATRICK MAGURREN.
EDWARD ROACH.
JOHN M'CLELLAND,
22nd February, 1869.

The business of the Firm will be carried on in the name of PEDLOW, MAGURREN, and CO., at 674, BRICKFIELD-HILL.

TO GAS CONSUMERS.

AUSTRALIAN GAS-LIGHT COMPANY.

From the 1st of April next, the charge for HIRE OF METERS will be ENTIRELY DISCONTINUED.

By order of the Board,
R. MANSFIELD.
Company's Office, Sydney, 10th March, 1869.

WASTE PAPER.—THE LIVERPOOL PAPER COMPANY are purchasers of all kinds of waste paper, old books of accounts, invoices, and office waste, which they engage (in accordance with the practice in England) shall be boiled down, and not let out of their possession in the present form. Also, office sweepings, packing papers, bagging cord, string, rags, canvas, newspapers and books. Their buyer will arrange to clear collections on notice.

Office—21, Bridge-street.

WE beg to announce that, owing to the decease of our Mr. DE ROUBAIX JENAR, our business will be carried on from and after the 15th November, 1868, under the firm of GUSTAVE JANSSEN and CO.

Our Candles will in future bear the mark "ROYAL MANUFACTURE," GUSTAVE JANSSEN and CO., late De Roubaix Jenar and Co.

DE ROUBAIX JENAR and CO.

Sole agent, for Great Britain and Ireland, Mr. William Meyerstein, 6, Love lane, Aldermanbury, London.

NOTICE.—I will not be responsible for any DEBTS my crew may contract, without my written order.

JOHN W. FINCH, Captain ship Mirage.

NOTICE.—Mr. BROWN, who left a bay MARE, branded D over FG near shoulder, FG off shoulder; also Mr. BRITLAND, a bay FILLY, branded JB conjoined near rump and ribs. If not demanded within fourteen days, will be sold for agistment.

Messrs. CROLL and M'FIE, Rooty Hill.

£100 REWARD.—The above Reward will be paid by the undersigned, for such information (secret or otherwise) that will lead to the recovery of my well-known race-horse Tallyrand, and conviction of the person or persons who stole him from Gragin, on or about the 13th instant, or £10 for the recovery of the horse.

Description:

A large dark chesnut horse, branded go on near hip, and 9 near ribs; the g and 9 are blotched, and appear as scars.

FRANK WYNDHAM.
Coolootai, Warialda, 17th February, 1869.

£1 REWARD, for the recovery of a Roll of LINEN TICK, stolen from 316, Pitt-street.

£1 REWARD.—Lost last night, PURSE, containing money and locket, with likeness. D. Wiley, Park-st.

LOST, the REGISTER of the schooner Margaret and Jane; finder rewarded. C. B. BOND, 64, Sussex-st.

LOST (supposed from the wharf) on the evening of the 6th March, a small black leather Travelling BAG, containing brush, comb, cap, handkerchief, &c., and a memo book, with sundry papers addressed R. W. Wardill. Whoever will return the same to C. C. SKARRATT, Royal Hotel, Sydney; or to R. W. WARDILL, 12, Queen-street, Melbourne, will be rewarded.

LOST, a Gold WATCH KEY, between corner of Botany Road and Receiving House. Reward will be given if left at MASON and CARLOSS'S, Jeweller, opposite Poorhouse.

LOST or STOLEN, between Lower George-street and Queen's Wharf, a Kangaroo SLUT. The finder shall have reward at the Circular Quay Hotel, near the Custom House, from JAMES POTTER. Any one detaining the same after this notice will be prosecuted.

A STRAYED CALF, branded GD. The owner apply to M. SULLIVAN, 400, George-street, Redfern. If not called for it will be sold.

FOUND, CHEQUE, in Elizabeth-street. Owner can have it by applying 800, George-street.

TO BUILDERS.—TENDERS will be received until FRIDAY, the 2nd of April, for the erection of twelve HOUSES on the Surry Hills. Plans and particulars with the Architect, F. H. REUSS, 134, Pitt-street.

TENDERS are invited for the Building of two 4-roomed Brick HOUSES. Plans and specifications to be seen at Mr. SCOTT'S, Harvey-street, Pyrmont, up till MONDAY next, 29th instant.

TO BRICKLAYERS.—Tenders for BRICKWORK of 3 Cottages; labour only. 595, George-street South.

TWO 3-inch WORKING BARRELS, bored out 6 inches, with brass foot valves and buckets, also covers, stuffing boxes, and discharge valves

300 feet cast iron flange pipes.

400 feet ⅞ rods and joints; balance bob; 1 iron tank, to be placed in the shaft (to receive water from first pump.)

TENDERS are invited for supplying the above with all iron work necessary for fixing at the Icely Mines.

For further particulars apply to CROAKER and CO., Bathurst.

MECHANICS' SCHOOL OF ARTS.

NEW CATALOGUE.

TENDERS for Printing several thousand copies will be received on or before WEDNESDAY next, the 31st instant. Draft can be seen, and information obtained, by application to

JOHN ROGERS, Secretary.

ESTABLISHED 27 YEARS.—ARTIFICIAL TEETH.—The best are the cheapest (no common work). Dr. J. EMANUEL and SON, Dentists, diploma dated 1836, continue to supply the deficiencies of teeth; thirty-three years' practice. Charges to meet the means of the most economical. Dental toilet requisites, premier quality. French, Italian, German, and Dutch languages spoken. Pitt-street North, opp. M'Grath and Punch's.

THE AUSTRALIAN OINTMENT. To be had of all respectable chemists.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—MARCH 25.

Yarra Yarra (s.), 350 tons, Captain Milman, from Brisbane 22nd instant. Passengers—Miss M'Dermott, Mrs. Font and family (3), Mr. and Mrs. Black, Messrs. O'Drennan, G. Roymond, Hotchis, Fitzsimmons, A. Weinholt, F. A. Cooper, F. Merry, F. Wildash, Nelish, Wafer, M. Quinlan, E. Weinholt, D. Williams and 22 in the steerage. A. S. N. Co., agents.

Black Swan (s.), 250 tons, Captain Bristow, from Rockhampton 19th instant. Passengers—2 in the steerage. A. S. N. Co., agents.

Trio (s.), 100 tons, Captain Ricketts, from the Manning River 23rd instant. J. Booth, agent.

Fire King (s.), 171 tons, Captain Hersee, from the Manning River 24th instant. S. Nutter, agent.

Snowbird, schooner, 195 tons, Captain Knowles, from Boston 24th November. Williams and Co., agents.

Platypus (s.), 200 tons, Captain Drew, from the Clarence River 24th instant. C. and R. R. S. N. Co., agents.

Illalong (s.), 300 tons, Captain Tronant, from the Clyde River. Passengers—Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Simon, Mrs. Allabaster, Mr. and Mrs. Harrington, Rev. Mr. Gaud, Miss Bain, Miss Burne, Messrs. Miller, M'Mahon, Whitinton, Ovey, Mason, Cronan, Bain, Plummer (2), and 20 in the steerage. I. S. N. Co., agents.

DEPARTURES.—MARCH 25.

Himalaya (s.), for Adelaide.
Wonga Wonga (s.), for Melbourne.
You Yangs (s.), for Melbourne.
Balclutha (s.), for Rockhampton.
Cape Horn, for Valparaiso.
Onward, for a whaling voyage.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—MARCH 26.

Malcolm, Traveller, for Maryborough; John Williams, for South Sea Islands; Agnes Irving (s.), for Grafton; Spec, Annie Beaton, for Newcastle; West Hartley No. 2, for Rockhampton.

CLEARANCES.—MARCH 25.

Onward, barque, 286 tons, Captain Allen, for a whaling voyage.

Annie Beaton, schooner, 85 tons, Captain Black, for Melbourne, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Spec, brig, 257 tons, Captain Sivier, for Newcastle, in continuation of voyage.

West Hartley No. 2, schooner, 69 tons, Captain Pavey, for Rockhampton.

You Yangs (s.), 474 tons, Captain Clarke, for Melbourne. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Bailey and 2 children, Miss Morley, Messrs. Muir, Jackson, Newell, Stratford, Lipstine, Taylor, M'Bean, and 25 in the steerage.

Balclutha (s.), 272 tons, Captain Hill, for Rockhampton. Passengers—Mrs. Morris, Messrs. A. S. M'Leod, L. Jones, and 3 in the steerage.

Wonga Wonga (s.), 682 tons, Captain Brown, for Melbourne. Passengers—Mrs. Bassington and 2 children, Miss Mackenzie, Misses Cohen (2), Messrs. Bassington, Walter, Nellich, R. Harnett, De Pass, H. Shepperson, Cooper, White, and 84 in the steerage.

COASTERS INWARDS.—MARCH 25.

Mary Jane, from Shoalhaven, with 11,000 feet timber, 1 ton potatoes; Industry, from Broken Bay, with 9000 feet timber, 10,000 shingles; Restless, from Moruya, with 23 tons granite; Comet, from Wollongong, with 91 kegs butter, 36 pigs, 5 coops fowls, 30 bags bran; Woniora (s.), from Bulli, with 261 tons coal; Nancy, Janet Dickson, from Newcastle, with 223 tons coal; Peahen, Mary Ann, from Brisbane Water, with 17,000 feet timber, 30,000 laths, 1000 palings; Coonanbara (s.), from the Hunter River, with 300 bales hay, 50 bales wool, 70 bags onions, 220 sheep, 6 coops fowls, 6 cases eggs, and sundries.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—MARCH 25.

Industry, for Broken Bay; Restless, for Moruya; Elizabeth, for the Hawkesbury; Comet, for Wollongong; Woniora (s.), for Bulli; Janet Dickson, Nancy, Jessie, Uncle Tom, for Newcastle; Agenoria, for Gerringong; Mary Ann, Peahen, for Brisbane Water.

IMPORTS.—MARCH 25.

Yarra Yarra (s.), from Brisbane: 12 bales wool, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co.; 17 bales wool, G. Hill; 18 bales wool, Morehead and Young; 9 bales wool, Fanning, Griffiths, and Co.; 114 bales wool, 3 bales skins, Tidswell, Wilson, and Co.; 10 bales wool, S. D. Gordon; 40 bales wool, O. B. Ebsworth; 7 oz. 18 dwts. gold, Prince, Ogg, and Co.; 7 oz. gold, Commercial Bank; 76 hides, Mort and Co.; 34 oz. 4 dwts. gold, Bank of New South Wales; 20 bales wool, Walker.

Black Swan (s.), from Rockhampton: 17 bales wool, J. Eales; 24 bales wool, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co.; 34 bales wool, W. G. Walker; 11 bales wool, E. Knox; 25 bales wool, Webster; 5 bales wool, 2 ingots copper, A. S. N. Co.; 106 oz. 9 dwts. gold, 8 bales wool, A. J. S. Bank; 2 bales wool, 1 bale skins, O. B. Ebsworth; 18 bales wool, Towns and Co.

Snowbird, from Boston: 10 rams, 5493 pieces timber, 1350 cases oil, 50 barrels pitch, 1860 staves, 29 cases tobacco, 25 bales hops, 50 cases, Williams and Co.; 50 packages, Vennard and Co.; 50 casks resin, 170 packages chairs, Order.

EXPORTS.—MARCH 25.

Spec, for Newcastle: 1005 bags flour, part of original cargo.

West Hartley No. 2, for Rockhampton: 1 case painkiller, 100 cases kerosene, 8 packages, Hoffnung and Co.; 53 packages wines and spirits, Scott, Henderson, and Co.; 50 cases geneva, 20 cases kerosene, 12 drums oil, 28 packages, Rabone, Feez, and Co.; 30 cases geneva, 2 hogsheads rum, 2 hogsheads brandy, 15 bags rice, 22 packages, Frazer and Co.; 29 packages brandy, 30 cases whisky, 70 bags rice, 20 cases beer, 90 packages, Learmonth, Dickinson, and Co.; 26 packages, H. P. Palser; 6 cases, Montefiore, Joseph, and Co.; 50 boxes candles, 36 packages, J. Hughes; 31 mats sugar, 11 bags rice, 60 packages tea, H. Labat; 50 cases beer, Young and Lark; 34 packages wire, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co.; 40 mats sugar, 80 mats rice, Sun Kum On; 173 gunnies sugar, Colonial Sugar Co.; 3000 palings, Grant and Curtiss; 8 bales hay, R. Campbell and Co.

You Yangs (s.), for Melbourne: 2 cases, J. Aubin; 40 cases fruit, P. Cullen; 12 cases claret, Curcier, Hawke, and Co.; 1 package, A. Heilbron; 31 cases fruit, T. Lawless; 1 package, E. Williams and Co.; 15 cases fruit, 13 bags oysters, P. James; 4 cases, J. Ross; 7 packages, Osborne; 3 cases, C. Bate and Co.; 50 bags maize, G. Rhodes; 52 bags maize, 5 sacks flour, C. B. Bond; 6 bags oysters, 1 case, J. Sainty; 32 bags oysters, Woodward; 2 packages, B. Moore; 1 package, W. A. Clark and Co.; 20 sacks flour, 2 packages, Peate and Harcourt; 1 package, Lassetter and Co.

SHIPS' MAILS.

Mails will close at the General Post Office as follows:—

For Melbourne.—By the Avoca (s.), this day, at 9 p.m.

For Raiatea, Rarotonga, and Navigators.—By the John Williams, to-morrow, at noon.

For Auckland.—By the Prince Alfred, to-morrow, at noon.

For Shanghai.—By the James Aiken, to-morrow, at noon.

For Brisbane.—By the Yarra Yarra (s.), to-morrow, at 2.30 p.m.

For Grafton.—By the Helen M'Gregor (s.), to-morrow, at 7.30 p.m.

ROYAL MAIL NOTICE.

The Mails by the Steamship AVOCA will be closed at the General Post Office this day, Friday, the 26th day of March, 1869, as follows:—

For registered letters, at 3.30 p.m.
For newspapers, books, and packets, at 6 p.m.
For unregistered letters, at 9 p.m.

Letters (as well as newspapers, books, and packets), posted in the Sydney iron receivers, must be so posted before 6 p.m.

Late Letters for the United Kingdom—if the postage and late fee be fully prepaid by stamps—will be received on Saturday, the 27th March, as follows:—

At the General Post Office, whether by Marseilles or Southampton, up to 8 a.m.; late fee, 6d.

Or, via Marseilles only, at Moore's Wharf, up to 8.30 a.m.; late fee, 1s.

S. H. LAMBTON, Secretary.

CUSTOM HOUSE.—Entered Outwards, March 25: Alexandra (s.), 425 tons, Captain Paddle, for Melbourne; Spec, brig, 257 tons, Captain Sivier, for Newcastle; Yarra Yarra (s.), 350 tons, Captain Milman, for Brisbane.

The following is a list of passengers and specie by the P. and O. Co.'s s. Avoca, which leaves to-morrow with the English mail, via Galle:—For Southampton: Mrs. Smyth, Mr. F. Smyth, Mr. L. J. Smith, Mrs. Smith and 2 children, Mr. F. Macnab. For Marseilles: Mr. Romilly. For Suez: Mrs. Bourne and servant, Mr. Weinholdt. For Singapore: Captain Gaby and servant. For Bombay: Mr. T. Cooper, Mr. T. Neale. For King George's Sound: Miss Clifton. For Melbourne: Mr. R. M. Isaacs, Assistant-Commissary-General Castray, Master S. Smyth, Mrs. W. Laidley, child, and servant. 9250 sovereigns, Bank of New South Wales; 2072 sovereigns, Sum Kum Ti; 117 sovereigns, Smith, Brothers; 30,000 sovereigns, Oriental Bank; 10,000 sovereigns, London Chartered Bank; 25,000 sovereigns, Bank of Australasia; 70,000 sovereigns, Union Bank; 1000 sovereigns, Dixson and Son; 2000 sovereigns, P. N. Russell and Co.

The Yarra Yarra (s.) left Brisbane at 1.15 p.m. on Monday, crossed the bar at 4 p.m., anchored at the south entrance to Moreton Bay, in consequence of the bad weather, until daylight on Tuesday; passed Point Look-out, at 1.30 p.m., Smoky Cape at 0.30 p.m. on Wednesday, and arrived in Sydney at 2 p.m. on Thursday.

The steamers Balclutha, for Rockhampton, and You Yangs and Wonga Wonga for Melbourne, cleared the Heads yesterday afternoon.

The Black Swan (s.) left Rockhampton at 1 p.m. on the 19th instant, anchored at Sea Hill at 6 p.m. same day, got underway again at 6 a.m. on the 20th, passed Lady Elliott's Island at 9 a.m. on the 21st, Cape Moreton at 9 p.m. on the 22nd, Seal Rocks at 3 p.m. on the 24th, and berthed alongside the Company's wharf at 6.30 a.m. on the 25th. Experienced strong E. and S.E. winds and heavy head sea to Smoky Cape, and light variable the remainder of the passage. Passed the Ballina (s.) three miles south of Long Island.

The Trio (s.), from Manning River, brings 50,000 feet timber.

The Snowbird, schooner, from Boston the 24th November, arrived in port yesterday. She reports that from date of leaving until nearing the Equator, which was crossed on the 26th of December in longitude 30 W., she had a continuance of very bad weather. The meridian of the Cape of Good Hope was passed on 29th January, and from thence strong westerly winds prevailed to Tasmania, which was rounded on the 7th instant; her easting having been made between the parallels of latitude 42 and 46 S. The Snowbird is to the consignment of Messrs. Williams and Co.

H.M.S. Challenger, having been cleaned and overhauled, was undocked yesterday, and returned to her moorings in Farm Cove.

The James Aiken will leave to-day for Shanghai.

The ship Glendower, for London, has the following passengers engaged:—Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Hockey, Mrs. Geoghegan, Miss James, Messrs. Preston, Eden, Gregg, and Davy, and 13 in the steerage. Her cargo will consist of the usual quantity of dead weight, and 4600 bales wool.

The departure of the Agnes Irving (s.), for Grafton, has been postponed until Tuesday next.

H.M.S.S. Himalaya proceeded to sea at 2.30 a.m. yesterday.

The Illalong (s.) brings up 131 kegs butter, 30 pigs, 3 bales sheepskins, and sundries.

The Platypus (s.), from the Clarence River, crossed the bar on Wednesday, 24th, at 6 a.m., and arrived in Sydney on Thursday, 25th, at 9.45 p.m. Experienced light northerly winds and clear weather throughout the passage. Her cargo consists of 1550 bags maize, 41 bales wool, 21 casks tallow, 5 boxes eggs, 4 drums oil, and sundries.

NEWCASTLE.
DEPARTURE.

March 24.—Policeman, schooner, M'Laughlin, for Maryborough, with 85 tons coal.

PORT DENISON.
ARRIVAL.

March 18.—Jason, from South Sea Islands.

MELBOURNE.
ARRIVALS.

March 19.—Gottenburg (s.), from Hokitika; Mary Francis, Ottowa, Ecliptic, from Newcastle.

March 20.—City of Adelaide (s.), Uranis, Emma Jane, Yarrow, Janet Stewart, Pioneer, Tower Hill, Sussex, Fairy Rock, Sarah Ann, from Newcastle; Storm King, Callender, from the Richmond.

March 21.—Dandenong (s.), from Sydney; Ruby, from Quebec.

DEPARTURES.

March 19.—Susan, for Newcastle.

March 20.—Adeline Burke, for Newcastle; Rangitoto (s.), for New Zealand.

CLEARED OUT.

March 19.—Jane, 160, Fox, for Sydney via Warrnambool.

March 20.—Swordfish, 111, Saul, for Sydney via Belfast.

HOBART TOWN.
DEPARTURE.

March 16.—Philippine, for London.

LAUNCESTON.
ARRIVAL.

March 16.—Lass of Gawler, from Sydney.

The brig Lass of Gawler will load with wheat and flour for Sydney, and probably be ready for sea on Thursday next.—*Launceston Examiner*, March 18.

ADELAIDE.
ARRIVALS.

March 17.—Charlotte, from London; Kahomo, from Newcastle.

March 18.—Bengal, from Newcastle.

DEPARTURES.

March 16.—Amazon, for London.
March 17.—Alexandra, for Brisbane.
March 19.—Audat, for Sydney; Duleep Singh, for Liverpool.

CLEARED OUT.

March 16.—Audat, brig, 199, Hambly, for Sydney. Cargo: 2016 bags 959 q's wheat.

CUSTOMS IMPORT ENTRIES.—MARCH 25.

34 packages drapery, J. Powell
675 packages oilstores, Montefiore, Joseph, and Co.
150 casks cement, M'Ilwraith and Co.
20 tons sugar, Colonial Sugar Company
13 kegs nails, 13 packages hardware, Levick and Co.
8 cases drapery, G. Griffiths
1 case instruments, W. Mac Donnell and Co.
34 packages blacking, 90 cases starch, 20 cases mustard, 10 cases castor oil, 30 casks crystals, 425 sacks salt, R. Miller
14 cases books and stationery, J. Sands
1 case seeds, 18 cases woollens, C. Foell
4 cases hats, 1 case trimmings, G. H. Smith
25 bundles buckets, 62 packages hardware, Lassetter and Co.
22 bales paperhangings, S. Owen and Co.
1 package leather goods, T. W. Hall
1 case haberdashery, M. Bohrsmann
500 bags flour, Montefiore and Montefiore
10 cases fancy goods, Hamburger, Brothers
24 bales packs, M. Donald, Smith, and Co.
3 bales carpets, 8 cases floorcloth, Hodgson and Albury
6 cases drapery, J. Wilson
1 case drapery, J. Carter
1 package haberdashery, Farmer, Painter, and Pope
1 bale leather, Alderson and Son
16 cases drapery, A. Hordern and Son
109 packages drapery, A. M'Arthur and Co.
45 packages vinegar, 10 packages earthenware, 54 kegs nails, 189 packages paints, oils, &c., 83 cases fish, 105 packages oilstores, 300 bags 20 casks salt, 93 packages merchandise, D. Cohen and Co.
2 packages paper, W. Lipscombe
24 rolls matting, A. Tange and Co.
250 sacks flour, Beilby and Scott
8 packages haberdashery, M. Spence.

[BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.]

MELBOURNE.
ARRIVAL.

March 24.—Marquis of Argyle, from Philippine Islands.

DEPARTURES.

March 24.—Agamemnon, for London; Alexandra, for Newcastle; City of Edinburgh, for Rangoon.

ADELAIDE.
ARRIVAL.

March 24.—Elhils, from Auckland.

BRISBANE.
DEPARTURE.

March 24.—City of Brisbane (s.), for Sydney.

SYDNEY HEADS.

	TIME	WINDS.	REMARKS.
March 25.	8.30 a.m.	N.E.	Light, and clear.
	Noon.	E.N.E.	Ditto, and cloudy.
	5 p.m.	N.E.	Ditto, and ditto.

WINDS AND WEATHER.
MARCH 25.

	9 a.m.	Ther. Bar.	3 p.m.
QUEENSLAND.			
Woody Island	E. Cloudy		
Bowen			
Clermont	NE. Cloudy		
Waverley	Calm. Cloudy		
Nebo	Calm. Dull		
Rockhampton	E. Dull		
Hawkwood	Calm. Cloudy		
Maryborough	Calm. Cloudy		
Gayndah	SW. Fine		
Brisbane	S. Fine	30·069	
Toowoomba	SE. Cloudy		
N. S. WALES.			
Tenterfield	ENE. Fine		E. Fine.
Grafton	Calm. Fine		NNE. Cloudy
Glen Innes	W. Fine		N. Fine
Inverell	Calm. Fine		Calm. Cloudy
Armidale	E. Fine.	26·820 66	E. Fine
Tamworth	Calm. Fine		Calm. Cloudy
Murrurundi	NW. Fine		SE. Like rain
Singleton	Calm. Cloudy		Calm. Overcast
Maitland	Calm. Dull		Calm. Fine
Port Stephens	W., light. Fine		NW. Fine
Newcastle	W. Fine, foggy		ENE. Fine
Windsor	Calm. Fine		Calm. Sultry
Sydney	NW. Fine		E. Fine
South Head	NE. Fine		N. Fine
Wollongong	NE. Fine		NE. Dull
Kiama	NE. Fine, hot		NE. Cloudy
Mt. Victoria	Calm. Fine		Calm. Overcast
Bathurst	Calm. Fine	27·950 69	SE. Fine
Mudgee	Calm. Cloudy		Calm. Cloudy
Cassilis	Calm. Cloudy		Calm. Cloudy
Wellington	Calm. Fine		Calm. Like rain
Dubbo	Calm. Fine		Calm. Showery
Orange	Calm. Dull.		Calm. Fine
Forbes	SW. Overcast		SW. Sultry
Young	Calm. Cloudy		Calm, like storm
Wagga Wagga	SW. Cloudy		Thunderstorm
Urana	W. Cloudy		Calm. Cloudy
Deniliquin	NW. Dull, cloudy		Calm. Like rain
Hay	S. Cloudy		Calm. Dull
Moulamein	W. Cloudy		NE. Cloudy
Balranald	W. Cloudy		SSE. Rain
Euston	Calm. Like rain		Calm. Rain
Wentworth	S. Slight rain		Calm. Overcast
Goulburn	Calm. Fine		Calm. Dull
Braidwood	Calm. Fine		Calm. Fine
Araluen	Calm. Cloudy		SE. Very hot
Moruya	Calm. Cloudy		SE. Very hot
Queanbeyan	SW. Dull		Calm. Cloudy
Bombala	SW. Like rain		NE. Dull
Cooma	SW. Like rain		Calm. Fine
Eden	Calm. Cloudy		Calm. Cloudy
Yass	Calm. Fine		Calm. Dull
Gundagai	Calm. Dull		Calm. Dull
Tumut	Calm. Dull		Calm. Dull
Kiandra	WNW. Cloudy	25·690 61	NNW. Cloudy
Albury	ESE. Cloudy		Calm. Fine
Merriwa	Calm. Cloudy		Calm. Cloudy
VICTORIA.			
Melbourne	NE. Calm, dull	30·001 67·3	
Queenscliff	SW. Cloudy	30·03 69·	
Cape Schanck	NW. Overcast	29·70 62	
Cape Otway	E. Dull, hazy	29·75 61·	
Portland	E. Fine	30·044 66·	
S. AUSTRALIA.			
Guichen Bay	Calm. Cloudy	29·640 66·5	
Adelaide	Calm. Raining	29·814 67·7	
M'DonnellBay	ESE. Fine		

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, SYDNEY.

Latitude 33° 51' 41". Longitude 10h. 4m. 46s.
Magnetic variation 10° 1·38" East. 1864.

The time ball is dropped daily (Sundays excepted) at 1h. p.m., Sydney mean time, or 2h. 55m. 14s. a.m., Greenwich mean time.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

Barometers corrected to 32° Faht., Sydney to Mean Sea Level. Force of Wind estimated in lbs. per square foot. Velocity of Wind estimated in miles per hour. Rainfall and evaporation, measured in inches, per square foot.

Scales of { Humidity, 0 to 100. Cloudy sky 0 to 10. Ozone, 0 to 10. Electricity, 0 to 90.

MARCH 24TH, 1869. CIVIL RECKONING.

Hour.		Barometer.	Temperature in shade.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Force.	Velocity.	Cloudy sky.	Rain.	Ozone.
A.M.	9	30·238	69·8	85	WNW.	0·2	7	3	0·00	4·0
P.M.	3	·123	75·6	68	ENE.	0·4	9	1		
"	9	·131	69·7	80	NE.	0·2	7	3		4·0
Mean		30·164	71·7	77·7		0·3	8	2·3		4·0

Evaporation in 24 hours, 0·106.

SELF-REGISTERING THERMOMETERS.

Shade { Maximum............ 78·1 | Sun—maximum .... 118·2
Minimum .... 63·3 | Grass—minimum .... 57·9

Temperature of sea water, 3 feet below the surface, at Fort Denison, at 9 a.m., 70·7.

Total rainfall from January 1st to March 25th=13·29 inches.

Annual average of the preceding ten years=49·97 inches.

COMPARISON OF STATIONS.

MARCH 25TH, 1869. CIVIL RECKONING.

STATIONS.	Height in feet above mean sea level.	At 9 A.M. Barometer.	Temperature in shade.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Force.	Cloudy sky.	For 24 hours previous to 9 a.m. Max. in shade.	Minimum in shade.	Rain.
SYDNEY	155	30·082	71·0	77	NW.	0·0	6	78·1	65·8	0·00
NEWCASTLE	109	29·950	68·7	90	NW.	4·0	9	75·5	63·3	0·00
SOUTH HEAD	267	29·857	70·2	87	NE.	0·1	5	77·7	64·4	0·00
KIANDRA	4640	25·683	66·7	61	WNW.	4·0	8	75·1	44·0	0·00
DENILIQUIN	416	29·670	73·8	63	NW.	1·0	10	97·1	69·7	0·00

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDUM FOR MARCH 26TH.

Object.	Rises.	Sets.	Phases of the Moon.	
	h. m.	h. m.		
SUN	6.9	6.3	Last quarter	5th
MOON	5.21 p.m.	3.27 a.m.	New Moon	13th
MERCURY	4.6 a.m.	4.59 p.m.	First quarter	21st
VENUS	5.16 a.m.	5.37 p.m.	Full Moon	28th
MARS	3.55 p.m.	2.6 a.m.		
JUPITER	7.31 a.m.	6.48 p.m.	Moon's age, 12·7 days	
SATURN	9.49 p.m.	11.53 a.m.		

High water at Fort Denison, a.m., 6h. 56m.; p.m., 7h. 22m.

GEORGE R. SMALLEY, Government Astronomer.

The Sydney Morning Herald.

FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1869.

IN the Legislative Council, yesterday,

The Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill was read a second time, and the committal made an order of the day for the next sitting day.

A bill for the Prevention of the Small-pox was brought up and read a first time, and the second reading made an order of the day for the next sitting day.

Mr. OWEN moved, without notice, "that at its rising this House adjourn until Saturday next, at 5 p.m.," which was carried, and the Council adjourned accordingly.

IN the Assembly, yesterday,

Ministers in answer to questions said:—That until it was known when the House would prorogue, it could not be said when it would be called together again; that the question of a new site for the Court-house at Gunnedah had been referred back to the Bench of Magistrates there; that the Government knew nothing of any new refreshment room beyond what appeared in the report of the Standing Orders Committee; and that there was no such intestate estate in the colony as that of John Tebbutt.

Messages were received from the Legislative Council announcing their agreement to the Treasury Bills Bill, the Public Works Loan Bill, and the Appropriation Bill without amendment; and to the Small Debts Amendment Bill with amendments.

Mr. CUMMINGS moved the adjournment of the House in order to call attention to the unsatisfactory manner in which the works on No. 8 section of the Great Western Extension was now being carried on.

Mr. SUTHERLAND said that his attention had been already called to the slow progress making on this section, and he had directed the engineer to inform the contractor that no extension of time would be allowed.

After some remarks from Mr. LUCAS and Mr. LEE, the motion was negatived.

Mr. ROBERTSON moved that the House at its rising adjourn to Saturday next, at 7 o'clock p.m. After a discussion, in which Mr. GARRETT, Mr. FARNELL, Mr. LUCAS, and Mr. J. STEWART took part, the motion was carried on division by a majority of 20 to 5.

The Small-pox Prevention Bill was read a third time and passed.

The House went into committee on the Compulsory Vaccination Bill. A long debate ensued on the third clause, providing for the compulsory vaccination of children on reaching three months of age, and the clause was ultimately amended so as to render it unnecessary to vaccinate children residing more than ten miles from any public vaccinator.

The remaining clauses were agreed to without amendment, and the bill was reported to the House.

The House went into committee to consider the report of the Standing Orders Committee.

Mr. ROBERTSON moved the adoption of the report, which recommended new entrances into the library and antechamber, and a new refreshment room.

Mr. SPEAKER, in answer to a question from Mr. LUCAS, explained where the new entrances would be made, and also that the new refreshment room would be erected over the recently erected buildings at the back of the present refreshment room.

After a time the discussion turned from the subject before the committee, to the questions of the arrangement of the Chamber, and the mode of admission to the upper and lower galleries. A motion to omit from the resolution the recommendation as to the proposed new refreshment room was moved by Mr. BURNS, but was negatived on division by a majority of 16 to 7.

The resolution was agreed to, and was reported to the House.

The amendments of the Legislative Council in the Small Debts Act Amendment Bill were considered in committee.

Mr. BYRNES moved that the amendments be agreed to; and Mr. HART pointed out that the amendments made had completely changed the principles of the bill as sent to the Council, and moved that the amendment in the first clause be not agreed to. Mr. S. C. BROWN asserted that the main principle of the bill was the extension of the Small Debts Act to the county of Cumberland; and as that was retained intact, he hoped no opposition would be offered. Mr. J. STEWART objected to the amendment doing away with the right of appeal, but should not persist in his objection, because if he did so, he should imperil the bill. Mr. HART moved that progress be reported. This was negatived by 18 to 3. Mr. HART moved that leave be given to sit again this day six months. On this, the division was 16 to 2, and the want of a quorum was reported to the Speaker, who adjourned the House at twenty-eight minutes to 9, until 7 o'clock to-morrow (Saturday).

THE diversities of opinion with reference to religion, and the acrimony with which they are enforced, have suggested doubts of its intrinsic worth to many who have as yet no settled desire to see its influence lessened in the world. "Can that," they ask, "be of God which has produced so directly the bitterest enmities and the most implacable resentments?" The tree is known by its fruit, they argue; and such is the test set by the Author of Christianity himself. They retort: "Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles?" It is impossible to answer this doubt by denying the causes which seem to produce it. It is certainly true that the worst men have sometimes been most zealous for religion. The vilest weapons have been employed in its name, and the most cruel injustice has been perpetrated to ensure its triumph. This distrust has been augmented by the falsehoods and hypocrisy displayed in history. The story of Church life—recording its ambition, its deceit, its ferocious wars, its bitter persecutions—is as dark and infamous as any upon record. The ingenious forms of cursing would appear like satire if they were not attested by existing formulas. These threatenings include every malady or sorrow, public or private misfortune, and pain of body or anguish of heart—persecution continued from year to year, from age to age. The worst specimens of mankind have been found in the priesthood, and actions the most mean and covetous have been perpetrated by them without shame or remorse.

All this that has been said, has been said truly. It applies, with more or less truth, to almost every religion—Jew or Christian, Protestant or Catholic. But is there no other side—no other view of religion—of its power over mankind, to oppose to this dark picture of its occasional development? The operation of its genuine principle over the mind and character of mankind, has it no better, no brighter result? Has it done nothing in delivering from dark and cruel superstition—inspiring reverence for truth and goodness, awakening compassion for the suffering, multiplying hospitals, asylums, and retreats, abating the severity of penal laws, rendering human life more and more sacred, softening the despotism of the one sex, and imparting dignity to the other? Such, indeed, are its fruits, and to know their value we have only to examine the condition of the Roman Empire—its pride, its cruelty.

If Christianity has done nothing more, it has brought about a great change in the moral habits of nations, and elevated the rules of human conduct. Pompeii remains to attest to what Rome was—where all vices were exaggerated—where every gratification offered the multitude, tended to render them ferocious and sensual.

But there is a form in which religion displays its power, and which no history records. Far more operative in family life than public affairs or civil pursuits, it imparts a benign and soothing influence—humanising the affections of myriads whose history can never be known beyond their own homes. The higher Christian morals have stamped a dignity upon family life to which heathen nations were often strangers.

There are still higher objects contemplated in life. We do not know why we should question the sincerity of NAPOLEON in speaking of it as the path to immortality. Looking over the brow of sixty years, and taught by experience how uncertain and evanescent are things temporal, there are few men who do not turn with more solicitude towards those that are eternal.

THERE may be some little vanity on our part in pointing, as we now and then have occasion to do, to the manner in which progressive movements in the Australian colonies influence the policy of the mother country. We entertain a proud consciousness that we are pioneers in more senses of its word than one. Not only have we explored and settled a new continent; but we are encouraged to test, for the benefit of the staid conservatism of Europe, principles of State policy which are adjudged perilous. If they fail with us, or we with them, there is little to be said about the matter, save by the *laissez faire* section of the population, who make the most of the opportunity to applaud their own sagacity as obstructionists. If we are proud, we have perhaps some reason for our pride, seeing that by our example we are leading Great Britain to remodel her Constitution in such a manner as to fit it to accommodate the expansive working of free thought, characteristic of present times. We are solving the problem of religious equality, of free education—perhaps, though of more doubtful success, of universal suffrage, and finally of the ballot. It must of course be admitted that in attempting all this new political apparatus we start in a different position to what they do in England, where there are a multitude of old world interests and vested rights to be consulted before a step can be made either in this direction or in that. It is a very different matter to lay out a garden where the plan has to be accommodated to objects already existing, and to lay one out where the surface is entirely clear and bare of all previous design. We had to shape our social apparatus, as we shaped our cities and towns, upon virgin soil. There was, therefore, but little to interfere with the design and the initial operations.

Our experience in respect to the effect of the ballot in repressing bribery, and protecting the voter in the expression of his convictions has probably had more to do in preparing public opinion in England for a change than anything else. Had it not been for such a tangible proof, from a section of the British community, Mr. GRANTLEY BERKELEY might have continued to make his annual motion for the next fifty years without bringing a majority of the country's representatives to his way of thinking. Now, however, we observe a change. The November mail informed us that a monstrous sum of money had been withdrawn from the Bank of England for the payment of election expenses; the December mail informed us that even the allowed expenses had been prodigious, and that several successful candidates were unseated on account of bribery; while the last mail brings the intelligence that the new Cabinet is convinced of the necessity of allowing the constituencies enlarged by the provisions of the Reform Bill of 1867 to vote under the protection of the ballot.

It would be difficult to lay one's hand on a worse blemish in the Parliamentary system of Great Britain than bribery. But the tolerance or connivance which the crime of giving, or offering bribes, meets in the House of Commons, is far worse than the corruption of electors. Men, notoriously guilty of the offence, suffer no discredit if they escape conviction, and are held to be blunderers only if they are detected: for the knowledge that a man has obtained his seat by bribery carries with it no social reproach.

The majority of the House of Commons, it is said, is seated either by bribery or by profuse expenditure, and while this is so, the Parliament, whatever may be said of its "freedom," cannot be acknowledged to be a true reflex of public opinion. The end of representation is equally frustrated by bribery and its cognate malpractices—by the machinery of a precarious but beneficial occupation of agricultural land—by the easy servility of traders or shopkeepers—by the cabals of Parliamentary agents, and by the trick of casting election expenses on candidates. In the absence of any moral repulsion to such practices, it becomes a matter of necessity to place an extinguisher upon them by means of the ballot.

This is certainly one of the questions for a reformed Parliament. The disclosures from the last and the previous election prove it to be so. If representation is to be nothing more than a farce it must be so. At present men buy a seat as effectually, though not quite so openly, as they do an estate. Some persons of excessive candour boldly defend the practice, because it upholds that which is regarded by them as the "balance" of political power—namely, the existing oligarchy. The mention of a single fact exhibits the monopolising nature of this balance. The average cost in each of the twenty-six contested county elections in the previous Parliament was nearly £12,000, a charge which completely excludes any but the very wealthy from competition, and indisposes even the most wealthy from contemplating a dissolution with any other feeling than disgust. Political influence is maintained in many counties by that form of bribery which makes it a tenant's interest to please his landlord, a tenant's loss to thwart him. All the laws and customs which permit elections to be matters of expense to candidates, are direct encouragements of bribery. They familiarize the minds of candidates, agents, electors, and the public at large, with profuse and reckless expenditure. "Personal canvass of electors," says one of the Reform essayists, "almost necessitates bribery." And that personal canvass can be dispensed with, and yet success be achieved by the candidate, is evident from the two last elections, when several candidates were returned who had only expounded their views to their constituencies in public meetings, but refrained from soliciting a single person to record a vote. The electoral system of Britain although some improvements have been attempted, remains radically defective. Instead of awakening the public conscience, it encourages a casuistry which is no better than a trap. While it continues to be possible for a man to buy his seat, he debauches a certain portion of the electors. The constituency for which he sits is not represented; the votes of some other constituency really represented, are neutralised. And there is another consideration which should have great weight; it is this—that a man who sits by corruption is likely to use his vote for private ends. The like objection applies, though with less force, to those who sit by large though legal outlay. It is unnatural to suppose that a man will expend £12,000 for a seat without seeking some return for it; and having paid such a sum for a septennial period he will be no willing party to the curtailment of his own dearly bought privilege—be the exigencies of the public service what they may. There are many propositions afloat, to the effect that the charges of the election should be collected by a special rate, and that members should be paid, &c., but all this would tend to turn a simple representative privilege of citizenship into a profession, which would be exceedingly undesirable.

The ballot is the only remedy, and the time seems to be approaching for its application. The chief opponent to it is Mr. MILL, who regards the suffrage as a trust, which, he says, should be exercised with all imaginable publicity. But we imagine that there would be less difficulty in maintaining the suffrage to be a property than to be a trust, had we space to follow the argument, and that we should be brought to the usual conclusion—namely that those who possess this property should be suitably protected by the law in the beneficial use and enjoyment of it.

THEATRICALS ON BOARD THE GALATEA.—The officers of H.M.S. Galatea have made arrangements that a steamer shall leave Milson's Point, North Shore, at 7.30, on the evenings of Monday and Tuesday next, and that steamers shall ply between the Circular Quay, Cowper Wharf (Woolloomooloo), and the Galatea, from 7 to 8 o'clock on the same evenings, for the accommodation of those who have received invitations to be present at the theatricals to be held on board.

GOVERNMENT PICNIC.—The Government are about to issue invitations to a picnic for this day week, at Balmoral, Middle Harbour. It is expected there will be three or four hundred guests. The Government would have chosen a day more generally agreeable at this season of the year if circumstances permitted, but Friday is the only day available, because the Prince is to dine with the Government and Legislature on Wednesday, his Royal Highness's departure from the colony is to take place on Thursday, and on Saturday many hon. members will leave Sydney for their homes.

BUSINESS IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—On Wednesday the Legislative Council passed the Money Bills, and the only business left on the paper was the City Boundaries Amendment Bill, the second reading of which was postponed till yesterday, when the bill was read a second time, and as nobody seemed to know anything about it, as well as in deference to Standing Orders, the consideration in committee was postponed to the "next sitting day." Then a bill for the Prevention of Small-pox was brought up and read a first time; and the representative of the Government asked a quarter of an hour in order that the Compulsory Vaccination Bill, which was still in committee in the other House, might be brought up and advanced a stage. The quarter of an hour stretched out—so that at length the hon. Representative moved the adjournment of the House until 5 p.m. on Saturday, which was agreed to. It will be seen from our Parliamentary report that the bill for which the Council waited is not yet passed through the Assembly, its third reading having been made an order for Saturday.

CAPTAIN COOK STATUE.—A meeting of the committee was held yesterday, at the offices of Mr. R. B. Smith, King-street. Mr. Smith was called to the chair. The business consisted chiefly of arrangements necessary for the laying of the foundation-stone by his Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Three substantial stands have been erected on the ground (in Hyde Park, opposite the Museum), and from these it is expected that a concourse of something like three thousand spectators will view the ceremony. The intermediate space around the base of the statue has been reserved for the Duke of Edinburgh and suite, the Earl of Belmore, members of both Houses of Parliament, officers of the Galatea and Challenger, foreign consuls, officers of the French man-of-war, and other persons of distinction, to whom invitations have been addressed. By the permission of Colonel Richardson, the Volunteer band and a guard of honour will be in attendance.

ST. DAVID'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ASHFIELD.—H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh has kindly consented to plant a tree in commemoration of the opening of this church. The ceremony will take place to-day, at a quarter-past 4 o'clock.

CITY IMPROVEMENT.—A communication has been received by the Sydney Municipal Council from the Secretary for Lands, recommending for consideration a proposal to extend St. Martin's-lane from Pitt-street to Castlereagh-street. St. Martin's-lane will run from George-street to Pitt-street, close to the new Post Office. Immediately opposite to this lane there is already a thoroughfare from Pitt-street to Castlereagh-street, known as Foxlow-lane, but it is exceedingly narrow and by no means pleasant to walk through. The City Bank Corporation have purchased a large block of land at the junction of Pitt-street with this lane, and are now engaged in removing the buildings which formerly stood upon it, with the view of erecting premises for a bank. It is thought to be a good opportunity for the Corporation to make some arrangements with the proprietors of the properties, before the bank commence building, in order that the lane may be widened, and thus form a continuation of St. Martin's-lane. It would be necessary for the Corporation to obtain a strip of land from the City Bank Corporation and some small tenements in Foxlow-lane, which at present is anything but a respectable locality, and also a public-house which stands at the junction of the lane with Castlereagh-street. If this proposal can be carried out it would improve the whole neighbourhood, enhance the value of the bank premises, and be a common benefit to the bank and to the public. The matter will be taken into consideration by the Mayor and Aldermen at their next meeting.

REMOVAL OF OFFENSIVE MATTER.—In pursuance of a resolution passed at the last meeting of the Sydney Municipal Council, it has been notified by advertisement that any person or persons found removing night-soil, offal, or offensive matter of any kind whatever, within the limits of the city of Sydney, excepting between the hours of 12 o'clock at night and 5 o'clock in the morning, between the months of September and March inclusively, and between the hours of 12 o'clock at night and 6 o'clock in the morning during the remainder of the year, will render themselves liable to prosecution. This is a sanitary reform which will doubtless be hailed by the citizens with great satisfaction. The abominable stench issuing from carts containing bones and refuse from butcher's shops will now no longer assail the olfactory nerves of respectable citizens, during the day-time at all events. And if the arrangements made by the Municipal Council are rigorously carried out, as they ought to be, the health of the city will be generally improved.

ERRATUM.—In the article on railways, published in yesterday's Summary, the first sentence of the last paragraph but one should read—"offices for the Department of the Engineer for Existing Lines" (not express trains).

WOOLLAHRA AND PADDINGTON LITERARY SOCIETY.—This society inaugurated the commencement of a new season with a musical and literary entertainment, given to a large auditory, at the Congregational School Room, Point Piper Road, on Tuesday evening last. The chair was occupied by the Rev. Dr. Stanley. On this occasion the society was again aided by Mr. J. C. Fisher (who was assisted by Messrs. G. F. Jackson, T. Chandler, C. W. Rudd, and J. W. Hall), in the production of the musical portion of a most excellent programme, the first part of which consisted of a number of part songs and glees, which, especially, "Lovely Night," by Chwatal, and "the tars song," by J. L. Hatton, were received with well merited applause. The second part, was commenced with an amusing part song in which the alleged discomforts of married life and the pleasures of single blessedness, were harmoniously compared—followed by another part song—a hunting chorus from Euryanthe—the well known glee "Mynheer Van Dunck;" a really beautiful solo with vocal accompaniment, entitled "The Image of the Rose," by Reichardt, feelingly given and deservedly encored: and two more part songs—"Banish, Oh Maiden, which created much laughter, and "The Young Musicians." The literary portion of the entertainment was provided for by two readings, the latter of which, taken from Albert Smith's "Philosophy of Evening Parties," being humourously interpreted, afforded much amusement to those present. During the evening, the report of the society's proceedings, with a statement of its receipts and expenditure during the past year, was read by the honorary secretary (Mr. W. R. Logan), and showed a very satisfactory state of affairs, and a committee and officers for the current year having been also chosen, the proceedings were brought to a close by a vote of thanks to Mr. Fisher and the gentlemen who had assisted in the entertainment, and the singing of the National Anthem.

DEATH FROM RUPTURING A BLOOD-VESSEL.—An inquest was held early yesterday morning by the City Coroner, at the Coroner's office, into the cause of death of a man named Johns, who died on the previous day at the Infirmary. William Cook, drayman, stated that he resided at 12, Sarah Ann-street, Strawberry Hills; the deceased was his brother, who was also a drayman, a native of the colony, and unmarried: his brother had resided with his parents, where he also lived; he never complained of illness, with the exception of a slight cold occasionally; between 10 and 11 o'clock on the forenoon of Wednesday saw him on the dray stand at the lower end of Sussex-street, and he was then all right; witness next saw him about a quarter-past 11 o'clock in the water-closet belonging to the A. S. N. Company, where he went in consequence of information received; found blood flowing from deceased's mouth; went for Dr. Wright, but he was not at home; he returned to the wharf and found his brother in the same state; got a cab and conveyed deceased to the Infirmary, where he handed him over to Dr. Schuette; deceased had been recently complaining of a cold, and was coughing heavily on the preceding morning and the night before; he died about the time witness arrived at the Infirmary; from the time witness first saw his brother in the closet till he removed him to the Infirmary, about ten minutes elapsed; there was a great deal of blood in the closet and in the drain leading to the sewer. William Rumble said that he was a barrowman, and resided in Sussex-street; his stand was opposite the Old Company's wharf; yesterday morning, some time after breakfast, saw deceased sitting on his dray in Sussex-street; he got off his dray and came and sat on his (witness's) barrow; deceased did not say anything to him, but was talking to the other draymen; deceased had been sitting on witness's barrow for about a quarter of an hour, when he suddenly jumped up and commenced vomiting blood, and said, "I never felt so bad in my life before;" he asked one of the draymen to call his brother; there was no row previously, nor did anything occur to excite deceased; some of the draymen removed deceased into Mr. Lloyd's house on the wharf; saw him afterwards removed in a cab. Rudolph Schuette stated that he was a legally qualified medical practioner and resident physician at the Sydney Infirmary; he admitted on Wednesday, the 24th, John Cook, aged nineteen; on examination he was quite dead, blood oozing from mouth and nostrils; performed a post-mortem examination, when I found no marks of violence on the body; both lungs showed extensive hemorrhage, and the stomach contained a large mass of partially dark liquid frothy blood, and partially clots of blood; there were certain other alterations in the organs, which indicated that he must have been in a delicate state of health for some time; his opinion was that the cause of death was asphyxia by hemorrhage of both lungs. The verdict of the jury was to the effect that deceased died from the rupture of a blood vessel.

CRICKET.—The Bathurst cricketers arrived in town yesterday afternoon, for the purpose of playing a return match with the members of the Military and Civil Club. The match is to be played at the Albert Ground to-morrow, and will commence at 10 o'clock. This will, we believe, be the first appearance of the Bathurst team in Sydney. They have played several matches at Bathurst, against the late National and the Albert Clubs, as well as the 1st All England Eleven. The following are the names of those comprising the team: Messrs. Cassedy, G. Morgan, W. Morgan, A. Naylor, C. Naylor, Paul, Drysdale, Stewart, Carmen, Lawson, and Tress, and Machattie as emergency.

TELEGRAPHIC MESSAGES.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

GOULBURN.

THURSDAY.

AT the Volunteer meeting, Mr. Finlay was nominated for captain, Mr. C. S. Alexander for lieutenant, and Mr. L. Windeyer for ensign.

MELBOURNE.

THURSDAY.

To-morrow week is to be observed as a day of prayer for rain.

The execution of Flanagan is fixed for the 1st April.

Mr. Aspinall intends to introduce a bill by which three-fourths of the jury may return a verdict in civil cases.

The Bribery Committee has adjourned to Tuesday. Several members who were examined to-day contradicted others, thus leaving matters in great doubt.

A man, named William Georgeson, has been fined £5, for using fictitious Hennessy's brandy labels.

Hugo Levinger's case was argued before the full Court to-day. Judgment was reserved.

Gasworks is the favourite for the Australian Cup. Babbler, for the Steeplechase.

Lieutenant Noyes is a passenger for Sydney per City of Adelaide. The racehorse Fireworks is also on board.

QUEENSCLIFF.

THURSDAY.

ARRIVED.—At 10 a.m., Blackbird (s.), from Sydney; Alhambra (s.), from Hokitika.

SAILED.—At 4 p.m., City of Adelaide (s.); at 5 p.m., Dandenong (s.), for Sydney.

NEW ZEALAND.

[VIA MELBOURNE.]

The Alhambra (s.) has brought later New Zealand news. A female prisoner reported that Te Kooti had been wounded in the face, and also Kimbell Bent (the deserter). Tito Kowaru had unsuccessfully attacked a pah, but had afterwards burned a village.

ADELAIDE.

THURSDAY.

Major Warburton's appointment as Colonel Commandant of the Volunteer Force is confirmed and officially announced.

To-morrow and Monday are close holidays.

Sir James Fergusson is visiting Mount Barker Agricultural Show to-day.

A commission consisting of the Treasurer and two efficient outside gentlemen is to be appointed to inquire into the present system of audit of public accounts.

Sugar is very firm, prices at auction to-day for small lots, ex Sarah, were fully 25s. higher. Corn market depressed, wheat lower, sales parcels at 5s. 3d. No export transactions. Nothing doing in flour.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

THE following notifications appear in Thursday's *Government Gazette*:—

GRAPE VINES AND GRAPES IMPORTATION PROHIBITION ACT.—The following places are by proclamation exempted from the operation of the above Act:—Albury, Corowa, Euston, Golgol, Howlong, Moama, Moorquong, Moorna, Mulwala, Tocumwal, Toolebree, and Wentworth.

TOLL GATES CANCELLED.—The Toll-gate on the Main Southern Road, at a point 100 yards north of Hanging Rock, and the Toll-gate on the Main Western Road, at the western end of the bridge crossing Rope's Creek, have been cancelled by proclamation.

DISEASES IN SHEEP ACT OF 1866.—As annual meetings of sheep-owners in the undermentioned sheep districts have not been held, in terms of the abovementioned Act, for the election of Sheep Directors for the ensuing year, the following gentlemen have, on the nomination of the Chief Inspector of Sheep, been appointed Sheep Directors for the said districts respectively, namely:—Brewarrina: Messrs. W. Berron, Milroy; John M'Neven, Gundewinah; John F. Tulloch, Gongolgon; C. H. Hughes, Charlton; and Alfred Brook, Conga. Narrandera: Messrs. T. A. Browne, Bundidgerie; Charles Morgan, Gorong Gorong; W. N. Waller, Cuba; A. M'Neil, Yanko; and W. Lupton, Berembed. Condobolin: Messrs. W. H. Suttor, Borambil; Harry Youl, Burrawang; J. G. Brown, Melrose; W. L. Watts, Jumble Plains; and William Richards, Yugla.

APPROACHING LAND SALES.—Crown lands have been advertised in the *Government Gazette* for sale at the undermentioned places and dates:—Berrima—Monday, 10th May; Braidwood—Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 10th, 11th, and 12th May; Cassilis—Monday, 10th May; Corowa—Monday, 10th May; Forbes—Monday, 10th May; Goulburn—Monday, 10th May; Grenfell—Wednesday, 12th May; Hartley—Monday, 10th May; Mudgee—Monday and Tuesday, 10th and 11th May; Narrabri—Monday, 10th May; Nelligen—Monday, 10th May; Port Macquarie—Monday, 10th May; Raymond Terrace—Monday, 10th May; Rylstone—Monday and Tuesday, 10th and 11th May; Tamworth—Monday, 10th May; Tenterfield—Monday, 10th May; Tumbarumba—Wednesday, 12th May; Walcha—Monday, 10th May; West Kempsey—Monday and Tuesday, 10th and 11th May; Young—Monday, 10th May, 1869.—No. *Gazette* 62.

GENERAL POST OFFICE.—The transmission of book packets to the South Sea Islands, and the collection of the following rates of postage thereon, has been authorised by the Government, viz.—Not exceeding four ounces, fourpence. Every additional four ounces, or fraction of four ounces, fourpence.

GOVERNMENT TENDERS.—The undermentioned tenders have been accepted by the Government:—Mr. J. Barnes, repairs to Bendemeer Bridge; Messrs. Artlett and Son, furniture for hospital for insane at Gladesville.

LITERARY AND MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT.—Yesterday evening, a select literary and musical entertainment, of a rather novel character, was given in the School of Arts, in Pitt-street, to a numerous and well-pleased audience. The chair was occupied by Mr. N. D. Stenhouse, the president of that institution. The programme was commenced by Mr. E. Holloway, who delivered a very able and carefully written lecture, in which, under the modest title of "An Hour with Shakespeare," he directed attention to the deep philosophy everywhere pervading the writings of our greatest English dramatist. Vast as was the subject opened up by the lecture, and difficult as was the task so undertaken, it is but just to state that Mr. Holloway's remarks, last night, proved that he must long have studied Shakespeare—that mysterious treasurehouse of thought which has undoubtedly exercised so large an influence upon the English mind. Viewed as a literary effort, the lecture was highly commendable, but still more to be praised was the effort thus bravely made to induce Young Australia to read the works of the Bard of Avon for moral and mental improvement. Such a substitution for that common "gutter" literature, upon which too many waste their time, vitiate their manners, and deprave their tone of thought, appears to be a desideratum; and Mr. Holloway will "have done the State some service" if he shall prove to have inspired even one of the younger members of the School of Arts with the resolution to sit down and *study* Shakespeare; reading him play by play with the fixed determination both to understand his language, and gradually to appreciate the vast comprehensiveness of his ideas. The lecture began by treating of the moral value of our great poet, the rich variety and naturalness of the characters exemplified in his works, his obvious familiarity with the abstractions of philosophy—as everywhere displayed—and the difficulty of estimating the influence which Shakespeare's writings have exercised. He then viewed the political principles of our dramatist as shadowed forth in the scenes he has depicted, and in the noble sentiments so freely expressed in his pages. The lecturer also pointed out to his hearers how great was the contempt of that master mind for trading heroes, and self-seeking, miserable shams; how clearly he had manifested the evils and disadvantages of aggressive war; how grand and beautiful was Shakespeare's ideal of a Christian priesthood; and how stern and vigorous was the patriotism of that author which implored them all to study. His lecture, which was illustrated by several well-selected and well-delivered passages, was concluded by the expression of his fervent hope that the recent impetus given to education in this colony might cause Shakespeare not only to be read, but earnestly studied by those to whom he was now comparatively unknown. On the motion of Mr. Stenhouse, a cordial vote of thanks was passed in favour of Mr. Holloway. The second part of the entertainment consisted of an amateur concert, under the direction of Mr. C. E. Horsley. There was a variety of songs by a lady amateur and two gentlemen amateurs. Several of these vocal efforts were encored, but the enthusiasm of the audience was naturally reserved for Mr. Horsley's pianoforte overture from "Fra Diavolo," and his masterly variations upon the "Miserere,"—the latter being a flood of impassioned harmony, which positively electrified all present. The concert wound up with the National air as a finale.

THE PRINCE OF WALES OPERA HOUSE.—Last evening's performance was for the benefit of Madame Carandini, who for a series of years has maintained her position as one of the most indefatigable and popular of Australian artists. There is at present no artist in the colonies who has done more to popularise musical entertainments, and in all the principal towns of the southern colonies and New Zealand the concerts of her troupe have commanded a full share of patronage. Madame Carandini's reputation has been well established here during her former visits; and on the present occasion she has introduced to the lovers of music in this city the Misses Carandini—two young ladies whose charming voices cannot fail to be attractive wherever they may appear. The fact that his Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh was to honour the theatre with his presence was, of itself, sufficient to attract a good house, which the claims of the beneficiare helped to fill to overflowing. The entertainment opened with the musical comedy of the "Lady of Munster," in which Madame Carandini played Kate O'Brien with marked success, and was loudly applauded. Miss Corcoran, Messrs. Hoskins, O'Brien, and Andrews filled the other parts to perfection. Shortly after 9 o'clock H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh arrived, and his appearance in front of the theatre was the signal for prolonged cheering. On entering his box the audience rose to their feet, and the orchestra played the National Anthem, which was followed by "three cheers for the Prince," given with enthusiasm. Mr. Spiller performed his skating feats; after which the Hon. Eliot Yorke and Miss Cleveland appeared in the chamber scene from "Hamlet." Miss Cleveland's reputation in the part of the Queen was, if possible, increased by her acting on this occasion; but that an amateur could render the part of Hamlet with such a display of histrionic ability and nice attention to elocutionary requirements surprised the audience, and called forth hearty plaudits. The programme closed with a Concert of great merit, amongst the most successful items of which were the cavatina "Una Voce," and the comic duet "Trust her not," which were vociferously encored. Mr. Amery was also successful in eliciting a similar compliment. "God save the Queen" by the entire company brought the evening's amusement to a fitting termination. To-night the Oratorio of the "Messiah" will be given. The Carandini troupe will appear next week at the School of Arts.

NEW SOUTH WALES PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25.

THE PRESIDENT took the chair at half-past 4.

PAPERS.

Mr. OWEN laid on the table of the House papers relative to the Industrial School at Newcastle.

SYDNEY BOUNDARIES BILL.

On the resumption of the adjourned debate on the question that the Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill be read a second time,

Mr. DOCKER said he had to apologise to the House for his involuntary absence on the previous evening, and to express his thanks to the hon. member (Mr. Hay) for having moved the second reading of the bill. As far as he (Mr. Docker) understood, the only alteration proposed was to change the boundary of the city of Sydney on the side of the municipality of Paddington, so as to include portion of Moore Park. It appeared to him that sufficient grounds had not been shown why such an alteration should be made, c which would necessarily cause an inconvenient delay in the bill. He begged to support the motion for the second reading, which had been so kindly made in his behalf. The present state of Parliamentary business would allow of all alterations which might be required being made in committee.

Mr. ALLEN said he thought that the bill was a private bill.

The PRESIDENT read the title of the bill. It was sent up to that House as a public bill.

Mr. ALLEN said that the bill was a very important measure. As far as he was concerned, he did not, as a resident of the Glebe, object to it. He regretted, however, that Sir William Manning was not present to state his opinion on the bill.

The question was put, and the bill was read a second time.

Mr. DOCKER said that by leave of the House he desired to move that the House do go into committee upon the bill.

The PRESIDENT said it was contrary to the Standing Orders.

Dr. MACFARLANE said the Mayor of Sydney had called at the House in the hope of having an interview with Mr. Docker relative to this bill.

Sir WILLIAM MANNING (who had just entered the House) said that he had seen the Mayors of Sydney and of Paddington, and was quite ready to go on with the bill.

The PRESIDENT again drew attention to the standing order which required a day to intervene after the second reading of any bill. The bill was a very important measure.

Mr. ALLEN said it was an important bill, and required some time for consideration.

Mr. DARLEY concurred in the view of Mr. Allen, and stated that the House required to have some information, by coloured plans, to shew what the alteration of the wards were to be. This could be done by the City Surveyor in half-an-hour.

Mr. DOCKER had no wish to rush the bill through the House, but felt some difficulty in shaping his course, because he did not know when the House would next sit for the transaction of business.

After some further discussion, in which Mr. DOCKER, Sir W. MANNING, and Mr. ALLEN took part, the further consideration of the bill in committee was adjourned until the next sitting day.

SMALL-POX PREVENTION BILL.

The PRESIDENT reported to the House that a message had been received from the Legislative Assembly, forwarding the Small-pox Prevention Bill.

On the motion of Mr. OWEN, the bill was read a first time, and its second reading ordered to stand an order of the day until the next day of sitting.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. OWEN asked leave to move, without notice, that this House do adjourn until Saturday next at 5 p.m.

Motion put and carried.

The House adjourned accordingly at twenty-five minutes to 6 until Saturday next at 5 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY.

THE SPEAKER took the chair at twenty-nine minutes past 3 o'clock.

RE-ASSEMBLING OF PARLIAMENT.

Mr. J. STEWART asked the Colonial Secretary,—"Whether he can inform the House, at or about what date Government will probably reassemble Parliament for the dispatch of business after the next prorogation?"

Mr. ROBERTSON, in reply, said it was impossible for him to state when Parliament would be reassembled, because he had no knowledge of when it would be prorogued. If the hon. member would give them some idea of how long he was going to keep them waiting for the Small-pox Bill they might see the end of the session. All he could now say was that the Government would give every attention to public business during the recess with all the zeal they possessed, and would call Parliament together as speedily as possible, having a regard to the legislation necessary.

COURT-HOUSE AT GUNNEDAH.

Mr. BURNS asked the Secretary for Public Works,—"Have the Government taken any, and, if any, what steps towards providing a new Court-house at Gunnedah, and when it is probable tenders for the erection of the building will be invited?"

Mr. SUTHERLAND, in reply, said a memorial was received from the inhabitants of the district in January, representing that the building now in use as a Court-house at Gunnedah was liable to inundation. The Bench of Magistrates were requested to select another site; but on reference to the Survey Office it was found that the site they selected had been sold, and they were called upon to choose another. When a proper site was determined upon, tenders would be invited for the erection of the building.

NEW PARLIAMENTARY REFRESHMENT ROOM.

Mr. J. STEWART asked the Secretary for Public Works,—"1. Whether it is the intention of Government to erect a new refreshment room without the authority of Parliament? 2. If so, what is the estimated cost of the building? 3. Out of what vote or fund is the cost to be paid?"

Mr. SUTHERLAND said this matter would be brought under the attention of the House with the order of the day for the consideration of the report of the Standing Orders Committee.

INTESTATE ESTATE OF JOHN TEBBUTT.

Mr. R. STEWART asked the Solicitor-General,—"1. What amount had been received by the Curator of Intestate Estates in the intestate estate of John Tebbutt, previous to August 4th, 1864? 2. What payments have been made up to the same date?"

Mr. JOSEPHSON, in reply, said of course this had reference to the jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Court, and no money had been received by the Curator on account of this intestate estate. But on the 11th August, 1868, £654 9s. was remitted to England to the Solicitor to the Treasury; in June, 1859, £76 0s. 2d.; and in February, 1863, £30 5s. 11d.

MESSAGES.

Mr. SPEAKER reported the receipt of messages from the Legislative Council returning the Treasury Bills Bill, the Public Works Loan Bill, and the Appropriation Bill, without amendment; and the Small Debts Act Amendment Bill, with amendments.

It was ordered that the amendments in the last named bill be taken into consideration at a later period of the day.

RETURNS, REPORTS, &c.

Mr. JOSEPHSON laid upon the table a return in part in reference to certain proceedings in Equity, ordered on the 23rd February last.

A progress report from the select committee appointed to inquire in reference to the training ship Vernon was laid on the table by Mr. FARNELL, and it was ordered that it be printed.

Mr. ROBERTSON laid upon the table regulations of the reformatory school at Newcastle.

Ordered that the document be printed.

RAILWAY CONTRACTS.

Mr. CUMMINGS moved the adjournment of the House, in order to call attention to the state of the works on No. 8 section of the Great Western Railway. It was now eight months since the contract was entered into, and but very little progress had been made with the work. The work had been relet, and there was a complaint that the workmen did not get their wages. He thought the district engineer was to blame for not reporting the unsatisfactory state of things to the head of the department.

Mr. SUTHERLAND said no complaints had come to the Government with reference to Mr. Faviell not paying his men. There had been some complaints of his keeping stores, and only employing men who dealt at such stores; but, on inquiring of Mr. Faviell, he asserted that he never had a store on either line, never had any interest in a store, and had no dealings with the men working under him. It appeared, however, that the contract was not being proceeded with at such a rate as to make it probable that it would be finished within the stipulated time, and this might have been seen from the amounts of money drawn for that work from the department. The contract had been in hand some seven months, and the amount drawn was about £7118, whilst for another contract, entered upon about the same time, £23,000 had been drawn. He had called the attention of the engineer to the matter, requesting him to notify to the contractor that the Government expected the contract to be completed in contract time, unless some satisfactory reason could be shown for the delay of the work.

Mr. LUCAS read two letters, in which complaints were made that in this section the system of subletting was carried on to men who looked to beer-houses and stores for profit. He had heard that this contract was carried on worse than any other in the country; that men were compelled to purchase at the stores of the subcontractors, or they were turned off the works; and that the money of the best men was kept back in order to keep them from leaving. How could contractors who paid their men their money when it was earned compete with contractors, who, by the operation of the truck system, did not pay more than seventy per cent. of what was earned? He hoped that the Minister for Works would act upon the conditions of the contract, one of the clauses of which fully empowered him to prevent contractors from subletting, and compelled them to pay wages in the current coin of the realm. Unless that were done, all the good contractors would be gradually driven out of the country.

Mr. LEE availed himself of the motion before the House to ask the Minister for Works when there was any reasonable probability of the Morpeth extension being completed. The works were proceeding at a snail-like pace, and had done so from the very commencement. Would the Minister insist upon the line being completed at the expiration of the time to which it had been extended, or, in default, give it to some other contractor?

Mr. SUTHERLAND said that the contractor for the Morpeth extension had been given an extension of time equal to the delay arising from the action of the Government. No further extension would be granted.

Mr. WILSON: When would the line to Muswellbrook be opened?

Mr. SUTHERLAND was informed that it would be opened in less than a month. The delay had arisen from accidents to the engines.

Mr. WILSON: When would the line to Goulburn be opened?

Mr. SUTHERLAND: About the latter end of May, as nearly as possible.

The motion was then put and negatived.

EXTRA SITTING DAY.

Mr. ROBERTSON moved,—"That this House, at its rising, do adjourn until 7 o'clock p.m. on Saturday, the 27th instant, and that Government business have precedence of all other business on that day." The hon. gentleman was understood to say that his object in making this motion was, if possible, to close the Parliament at the commencement of the Easter holidays. He proposed 7 o'clock, because the members of both Houses had been invited to be present at the laying of the foundation-stone of the Captain Cook statue by the Duke of Edinburgh; and he understood that many hon. gentlemen intended to be present on that occasion.

Mr. GARRETT thought that 11 o'clock in the morning would be a more convenient time.

Mr. PARKES said that it would be most inconvenient to many hon. members if the House were to sit in the morning.

Mr. FARNELL said that no good reason had been given why the House should sit on Saturday night, when persons ought to rest from the labours of the week. The thing was monstrous.

Mr. ROBERTSON: We'll go over till Tuesday, if we can't get Saturday.

Mr. FARNELL: If the hon member got Saturday, he would transact any business. Why did not the hon. member move for Sunday.

Mr. ROBERTSON: I can't move Sunday or I would.

Mr. FARNELL: The hon. member was regardless of every thing; and seemed to think that everybody's convenience must give place to his caprice. If we could not get through the business this week, let us go on with it next. If the Small-pox Prevention and Compulsory Vaccination Bills were passed here to-night, the Upper House would not consider them, and that the hon. member knew as well as he did. [Mr. ROBERTSON: I know nothing of the kind.] If these questions were of such great importance, they required grave consideration, and the House ought to be adjourned in the regular course in order to admit of it.

Mr. LUCAS said that Saturday was not a convenient day. He preferred Monday.

Mr. J. STEWART said that more than once the Premier had told us that the sole object of the Government was to legalise the expenditure, and they had repeatedly made that an excuse for not taking other matters into consideration. The expenditure had been legalised; and now we were asked to sit another week, although the hon. member must know that these bills could not pass. When the bill was last before the House he was told by the hon. gentleman's own supporters that it was a sham, and was never intended to pass the Upper House, and for that reason he had abated his opposition to it. (Cries of "Name.") Hon. members knew very well that that was the case.

Dr. LANG: Did the Premier intend to have a meeting of the House on Monday?

Mr. ROBERTSON: No; it was Easter Monday. The hon. member for Illawarra told us that the House did not intend to pass this measure; but a majority of the House had in several divisions affirmed their desire to pass these bills. Two gentlemen had, in the most unwarrantable manner possible, given a factious and an improper opposition to these bills. Until the Parliament rejected the bill the Government was not released of their responsibility in regard to them. We asked for Saturday because we believed that there was a possibility of getting these measures through and receiving them from the other House, if possible. Large and overwhelming majorities of both Houses were in favour of these bills; and it was not because two gentlemen did not approve of them that they were to be thrown overboard.

The question was then put, and the House divided with the following result:—

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Robertson	Mr Dodds	Mr. Bell
Josephson	Dr. Lang	Cummings
Forster	Mr. Mate	Alexander
Samuel	Garrett	Burdekin
Sutherland	Phelps	S. Brown } Tellers.
Egan	Gordon	Neale }
Lee	Macleay	

Noes, 5.

Mr. Wilson	Mr. J. Stewart }
Lucas	Farnell } Tellers.
Tighe	

SMALL-POX PREVENTION BILL.

On the motion of Mr. ROBERTSON, the Small-pox Prevention Bill was read a third time and passed, and was ordered to be forwarded for the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

COMPULSORY VACCINATION.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Compulsory Vaccination Bill.

Clause 1—"Colony to be divided into districts for the purposes of vaccination, and places appointed for such purposes"—was carried with a verbal amendment.

Clause 2—"Officers to be appointed"—was carried without amendment.

Clause 3—"The parent of every child arriving in this colony after the commencement of this Act shall, within three months after the arrival of such child, and the parent of every child born in the said colony, shall, if such child shall have been born before the commencement of this Act, then, within three months thereafter, or, if such child be born after the commencement of this Act, then within three months after the birth of such child, take, or cause to be taken, the said child to the medical officer or practitioner appointed in and for any part of the district in which the said child is resident, for the purpose of being vaccinated, or shall, within such period as aforesaid, cause it to be vaccinated by some legally qualified medical practitioner; and the said medical officer or practitioner so appointed as aforesaid, to whom such child shall be so brought, shall, with all reasonable dispatch, vaccinate the said child. Provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply where any child shall have been previously successfully vaccinated, and the parent of such child shall have made a declaration to that effect under the Act nine Victoria, number nine; and shall have transmitted the same to the District Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages of the district where such child shall be resident."

Mr. J. STEWART said he considered this to be one of the most objectionable clauses of the whole bill. It would entail more danger than the small-pox itself. To compel a child to be taken to a medical man, would in many cases involve a journey of fifty or perhaps two hundred miles. Then the parents would have to wait upon the convenience of the medical officer to get the child vaccinated. Then again, according to the 4th clause, the child would have to be taken back to the medical officer for inspection, eight days after the operation had been performed. If the vaccination in the first instance was not successful, the child might have to be taken two or three times. Every one who knew anything of the difficulties and dangers of travelling would agree with him that more deaths had arisen from travelling in this colony in one year, than had arisen from small-pox during the whole time the colony had been in existence. There was another objectionable clause, the 12th, which provided that every parent who neglected to have a child vaccinated, and inspected eight days afterwards, should be subjected to a penalty not exceeding £5.

Mr. ROBERTSON said the objections raised by the hon. member were not without force; and he did not intend to deny that difficulties might arise. But the question was whether those difficulties could be compared to the advantages which would be derived from the bill. But in order to meet the views of the hon. member and those who coincided with him, he moved the insertion of the following words after the word "child" in the 14th line of the clause,—"Provided that if the parents of such child shall reside beyond a greater distance than ten miles from the residence of the nearest medical officer or practitioner, then it shall not be compulsory for such parent to take such child for the purpose of being vaccinated."

Mr. LEE thought the amendment would be better inserted in the fourth clause, which made it compulsory that children should be taken to the medical officer for inspection on the eighth day.

Mr. LUCAS differed with his hon. friend. If persons were not compelled to take their children to be vaccinated, of course it would not be necessary for them to be taken to be inspected. He therefore thought the amendment ought to be inserted in the third clause. He would like to see the clause so amended that it would not be compulsory for parents to take their children to a medical officer to be vaccinated. The operation had been performed successfully by the mothers over and over again, to his knowledge. If parents were permitted to vaccinate their children themselves, it might, in many instances, save miles of unnecessary travelling.

Mr. ROBERTSON thought that, under the clause as it stood, any one would be enabled to perform the operation, but it would be necessary to take the child to some medical officer to see that the operation had been successfully performed.

Mr. LUCAS said he did not think the clause would bear that interpretation, and he referred to the hon. and learned member for the Lachlan for his opinion.

Mr. ROBERTSON said that the object of that portion of the clause which was objected to was to get the operation performed successfully, and that a certificate must be obtained from a medical officer, or the officer appointed by Government, that it had been performed successfully. He took it that anyone might vaccinate, but that a medical practitioner must certify.

Mr. LUCAS thought it desirable that the words "by some legally qualified medical practitioner" should be omitted.

Mr. ROBERTSON said if those words were omitted they would force persons having children vaccinated to go to the Government officer who might live at a distance from them, even if they had a legally qualified medical practitioner next door.

Sir JAMES MARTIN said that this clause related only to children born before the passing of the Act.

Mr. WILSON objected to the time specified, "three months," as being too short, and upon the motion of Mr. Lucas and with the concurrence of the hon. the Premier, the word "three" was omitted and "six" inserted in lines 24, 27, and 28.

Mr. WILSON moved that the words "by some legally qualified medical practitioner" be omitted. Insinuations had been thrown out that he was opposed to this bill on personal grounds, but he denied that he was personally interested in the matter in any way. From his knowledge of the country he could name medical men having most extensive practice and possessing the confidence of the people, who would be excluded because they were not qualified under the Act. To retain those words would be to cast a slur upon those gentlemen without doing any good whatever.

Mr. ROBERTSON said that, on first considering this bill, he ran his pen through those words, but, upon reflection, he saw that it was impossible by any words he could find to describe the class of gentlemen to whom the hon. member referred. Unless they defined the class of men, they would have certificates from all and sundry. The line must be drawn somewhere, and in drawing that line they might, if they were not careful, include worthless, stupid, incapable men, and exclude very good men. If the hon. member would show him words that would enable them to use the services of the gentlemen to whom he referred, he would be quite willing to adopt them, but he (Mr. Robertson) did not know how to do it. When they went beyond practitioners recognised by the law, how low down were they to go?

Mr. WILSON and Mr. LUCAS held that this amendment had nothing to do with the granting of certificates, but dealt only with vaccination.

Sir J. MARTIN did not look with favour on the bill. If the Sydney Corporation were to do what ought to have been done twenty years ago—establish bath-houses all over the city, and cleanse the lanes and alleys—he did not think we need fear the approach of this disease, or that, if it made its appearance, it would be very fatal. But in this regard the Corporation was behind the age. In London they had these bath-houses. In semi-civilised Turkey and all through the East they had them from time immemorial. In the old Roman empire they had them everywhere. But here it seemed as though we had not the slightest notion of indulging in cleanliness, and affording the necessary facilities to promote it. If it were necessary, perhaps a sum of money might be placed at the disposal of the Corporation for the purpose of providing bath-houses. In regard to vaccination he doubted whether it had really done the good which was claimed for it, and with him it was a question whether it was worth while to risk for a doubtful advantage the injury which might arise from vaccination. This bill, however, was not now to enforce vaccination everywhere, but to proclaim certain districts where vaccination might be compulsory. If he thought vaccination would injure any of his children, no action of the Legislature would make him have them vaccinated, and he did not think the Legislature ought to exercise powers of this kind over others who entertained similar opinions. He believed that this disease was dying out when the discovery of Dr. Jenner was made—that it was assuming a mild form, without any such remedy. Occasionally small-pox became more virulent than at other times. Mr. Cape (formerly a member of the Assembly) died in London of small-pox in its most virulent form. At that time numbers of other persons died in London, and the disease was as virulent in certain parts of that metropolis as it ever was before vaccination was resorted to. But the filth in which diseases of that kind were generated was not now allowed to accumulate as in days gone by. There was ample evidence to show that children after being vaccinated had acquired diseases of a very dangerous form. He was doubtful as to the propriety of passing this measure, but if it was to be passed, it should be made consistent in its provisions.

Mr. WILSON withdrew his previously proposed amendment, and moved that the words "legally qualified" before "medical practitioner" be omitted.

The motion was negatived by 19 to 11.

On the motion of Mr. ROBERTSON, the following proviso was inserted: "Proved that if the parents of any such child shall reside beyond a greater distance than ten miles from the residence of the nearest medical officer, or legally qualified medical practitioner, then it shall not be compulsory for such parent to take such child for the purpose of being vaccinated."

After a further verbal amendment the clause was passed.

The following clauses were agreed to without discussion:—

4. Children to be taken to be inspected on the eighth day; 5, Certificate of successful vaccination; 6, If child be not in fit state for vaccination, medical officer to give certificate to that effect; 7, Provision for successful certificates; 8, No fee to practitioner; 9, Incapacity to receive vaccination to be certified; 10, Legally qualified medical practitioners to give certificates; 11, District Registrars to keep register of cases of vaccination; 12, Penalty on parent neglecting to take child to be vaccinated; 13, Penalty for neglecting to transmit certificate; 14, Penalty on persons inoculating with small pox; 15, Certificates to be defence; 16, Summary jurisdiction; 17, Registrar-General to provide forms and regulations; 18, Interpretation clause.

The 19th clause was passed in the following form: "This Act shall come into operation on the day of its passing, and may be cited as 'The Vaccination Act of 1869.'"

The schedules and preamble having been passed, the bill was reported to the House with amendments.

The adoption of the report was fixed an order of the day for Saturday next.

IMPROVEMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS, &c.

On the order of the day for the consideration in Committee of the report of the Standing Orders Committee,

Mr. ROBERTSON moved,—"That the report of the Standing Orders Committee in reference to the entrances to the House and providing a new refreshment room, be adopted—and that this resolution be transmitted in an address to the Governor."

Mr. ARNOLD explained that there were repeated complaints as to a want of ventilation in the present refreshment-room, and there was a proposal to carry a winding staircase through the space at present occupied by the bar. The proposed new refreshment-room would be on the second floor of the recently-erected building, projecting eastward from the smoking-room, and the dimensions of the new refreshment-room were, he believed, to be 60 feet by 30 feet. Another portion of the proposed alterations was the construction of an additional room, adjoining the Under-Secretary's room, leaving the Under Secretary's room as an open lobby, forming an approach to the Chamber. Complaints had been made that strangers coming to the House to see members, and for various other purposes, crowded the verandah and lobby which opened into the library and refreshment room; and, to remedy this inconvenience, it was proposed to have an entrance from the corridor on this side of the lobby.

Mr. J. STEWART thought these matters might well stand over, and that they might properly be postponed till the new Parliament was summoned. Besides, the House ought to know something about the cost.

Mr. BURNS spoke of the necessity for a room for the accommodation of the Opposition members. He also asked for information as to the rules acted upon by the Speaker in issuing tickets for the admission of strangers to the Speaker's gallery, on the application of members.

Mr. ARNOLD said the Standing Orders gave the same privilege to the Speaker as to hon. members, and he exercised his discretion with regard to admissions just as hon. members did. Personally he did not value the privilege, and he exercised it in the best way he could. It was scarcely possible to lay down any precise rule because, on some occasions, there might be fifty applicants for one seat, and it was difficult to say why the forty-nine should be refused. Sometimes the gallery was only half full. Then the only rule he acted upon was that any respectable person against whose admission there was no reason known to him should receive a ticket. A complaint might be made that both by members and himself tickets were given too much as a matter of course.

Mr. WILSON said that hon. members signed orders for admission to their gallery without exercising any discretion whatever.

After some remarks from Mr. BURNS, Mr. EGAN, Mr. LUCAS, and Dr. LANG respecting the issuing of cards of admission to the Speaker's gallery,

Mr. FORSTER said that a room for an Opposition was an entire novelty. He objected to any room being parcelled off to a particular class of members. Any room appointed for members ought to be accessible to every hon. member of the House. When hon. gentlemen wished to consult upon a particular question, they could and did so, without interruption from the intrusion of hon. gentlemen. The entire resolutions included a number of propositions not necessarily connected with each other, and to one of which—the proposition for a new refreshment-room—he was opposed.

Mr. R. STEWART said that there was nothing to shew what would be the cost of this refreshment room. He thought that a new arrangement of the seats of the House was desirable, and he was favourable to giving increased accommodation for the public, rather than spending £5000 or £6000 to build a new refreshment room.

Mr. SPEAKER said that the present arrangement of seats had been made as the result of the continued pressure of hon. members. A formal document was drawn up and signed by a very large majority of hon. members, and it was in deference to the wishes of the House itself that the alteration was made. The present arrangement conduced to the order of the House during the debate, for constant interruption occurred to hon. members when addressing the House by hon. gentlemen sitting at the long table, which formerly occupied the centre of the chamber. With regard to the expense of the proposed alterations, he thought the hon. member for East Sydney (Mr. Stewart) was altogether mistaken in his estimate of the probable expense of the proposed improvements. So far as his recollection served him, he believed that the Colonial Architect informed him that the alterations would cost about £1500. He thought they might safely estimate the total cost at £2000.

Dr. LANG objected to any large amount being spent in additions to this old building. It would be better to set about getting up the new building, for which arrangements had been made some years ago, than to patch up these worn out buildings. He thought also that there was an air of exclusiveness about these alterations, and that made them unpalatable to him.

Mr. BURNS thought cross benches would be desirable if only to find seats for some hon. members who did not know the side they belonged to. He was not inclined to vote for the motion for a new refreshment room. No statement had been made to the House as to its probable cost; and it appeared to him that the present accommodation was quite sufficient. He did not think they ought to make the refreshment room a place where members could lounge about instead of their attending to their duties in that House. He had no objection to that portion of the report having regard to the control of the messengers, but he did object to the erection of the proposed new refreshment room. He therefore moved as an amendment, the omission of the words, "and providing a new refreshment room."

Mr. LUCAS said it appeared to him that the proposed improvement could not cost anything like £1800; and he thought the estimate of the Colonial Architect, viz., £1500, far exceeded the mark. He thought it was rather selfish on the part of the hon. member for East Sydney (Mr. Stewart), who retired to his own private dwelling for refreshment, to object to the proposed new refreshment room. The present room was scarcely fit for human beings to remain in; there was no ventilation; there was a large number of gaslights, and sometimes there were seventy or eighty people sitting there. He did not think the public out of doors would begrudge the expenditure of a small sum of money to make hon. members comfortable. They surely ought to be made as comfortable as they would be in their own homes. There was a room very much wanted to which the members of the Opposition might retire. Whenever the Government wished to consult with their friends, they had a room in which they could take them; and the members of the Opposition ought to have the same privilege. There was also very much needed a room in which hon. members might retire to transact business with persons who might come to the House to see them on business matters. He should certainly vote for the alterations being carried out.

The motion to omit the words proposed to be omitted was defeated on a division of 16 to 7.

The resolution was agreed to and reported, and the reception of the resolution made an order for Saturday.

SMALL DEBTS.

The House went into committee to consider the amendments of the Legislative Council in the Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. BYRNES moved that the amendments be agreed to.

Mr. HART said he observed that amendments had been made in this bill which had destroyed its character. The intention was to enable Courts of Petty Sessions to grant new trials in all cases where it should be made apparent that a new trial was necessary; but the alteration provided that the only cases in which new trials should be granted were those in which a defendant should not appear at the trial. The provision to extend the Prohibition Act had also been struck out. The Act would be no good with the alterations made by the Council, and he would move that the amendment in the first clause be not agreed to.

Mr. S. C. BROWN hoped the hon. member would not persevere in his opposition. He thought the bill as it stood would be beneficial.

Mr. LUCAS admitted that, in voting for the extension of the provisions of this bill to the city of Sydney, he had made a mistake. It would simply transfer a considerable amount of business from the District Court to the Police Court, and at the same time it would involve a loss to the revenue. He thought the amendments would recommend themselves to the approbation of the House.

Mr. J. STEWART approved of some of the amendments, and disagreed with others. The bill was a small instalment of improvement upon the Small Debts Act, and he would not jeopardise its passing by moving that any of the amendments be not agreed to.

Mr. HART said the bill as amended was quite contrary in spirit and intention to that sent up to the Council. He moved that the Chairman leave the chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again on Tuesday.

The motion was negatived by 18 to 3.

Mr. HART restated his objections to the bill, and said he believed we were legislating in the dark. He should do his utmost to oppose the bill. He moved that the Chairman leave the chair.

The committee divided, ayes 16, noes 2. There being no quorum the House resumed.

The bell being rung, and there being only the following eighteen members present:—Messrs. Robertson, Forster, Egan, J. Stewart, Cunneen, Byrnes, Hill, Farnell, Neale, Alexander, Samuel, Tighe, Lucas, Josephson, S. C. Brown, Burns, Dodds, and Garrett,—the SPEAKER, at 28 minutes to 9 o'clock, adjourned the House till 7 o'clock on Saturday evening.

In yesterday's report the names of Mr. Church and Mr. Hurley were inadvertently omitted from the list of gentlemen present yesterday when the House was counted out.

NEW NOTICES.

SATURDAY, 27TH MARCH.

Mr. J. Stewart to ask—1. What quantity of coal is shipped per month by the Newcastle steam cranes since they were leased? 2. To whom are the cranes leased, for what period, and on what terms? 3. Has any complaint been made as to the management of the cranes; and, if so, how many, and of what nature? 4. Does any one on behalf of Government inspect the cranes, to ascertain that they are maintained in a proper state of repair?

Mr. J. Stewart to move,—That there be laid upon the table of this House, a copy of the depositions and of all other evidence taken before the Water Police Magistrate, in the case referred to in a report by the Acting Municipal Officer of Health, dated and submitted to the Municipal Council of Sydney on the 22nd of March instant.

TUESDAY, 30TH MARCH.

Mr. R. Stewart to move,—That the return in the case of Attorney-General v Elliott and others, be printed.

LAW.

SUPREME COURT.—THURSDAY.

SITTINGS IN BANCO.

BEFORE their Honors Sir ALFRED STEPHEN, Chief Justice, Mr. Justice HARGRAVE, and Mr. Justice CHEEKE.

JUDGMENT.

SINCLAIR V. DIXON—MOTION FOR RULE NISI FOR NEW TRIAL.

Sir ALFRED STEPHEN C.J.:

My conclusions are as follows:—

1. I think that the finding on the evidence was a mistake; but agree that the verdict ought not on that ground to be disturbed.

2. I am of opinion, that the defendant's evidence, although taken to be true, does not support in terms the first plea; and *a fortiori* not the 2nd, or (although this admits of some doubt) the 4th.

The promise or condition, according to the defendant's version of the arrangement, was this—that he was to collect the partnership debts, and (as I understand the case) keep the remaining assets; that then, or at some time, there was to be a final settlement between him and Greville; that the note was not to be enforced until after such settlement, unless the defendant should fail to account for his collections; and that, after such settlement and accounting, the note was to stand good for such sum, only, as might then appear to be due to Greville by the defendant. If the balance should be the other way, then the note was not to be enforced at all. This state of things appears to me, as at present advised, not to accord with the pleas, either as they stood originally or as they stand now.

3. But I conceive that we have the power, and should be not unreasonably asked, eventually to amend the pleadings, so as to represent the true defence. And if we did this, the plaintiff would finally not be a gainer by this motion. On the other hand, we cannot properly make any such amendment until so asked. A rule therefore must be granted, to enable the defendant to come in, if only for this purpose; unless his counsel be now prepared to accede to the suggestion which follows.

4. That suggestion is, that the verdict be entered for the plaintiff on the second and fourth pleas, and that it shall stand for the defendant on the first plea as now on the record; the present application to be dismissed without costs; and the defendant to get none in respect of the pleas as originally filed.

5. If this suggestion be not acceded to by the defendant, I am of opinion that we ought to grant the rule applied for—that is to say a rule to show cause why there should not be a new trial, as to the first, second, and fourth issues.

Mr. Justice HARGRAVE: The first plea, as amended, sets up as equitable defence against the plaintiff's action on this promissory note, that defendant gave this note "as a guarantee for the due performance by him of his promise to collect the debts of the firm;" and "duly account to the plaintiff for the share and interest of the said Edward Greville in the said business and assets thereof; and though the defendant has always been ready and willing to have such final settlement of the accounts as aforesaid, and has often requested the said Edward Greville to enter upon such settlement; and though the defendant has always been ready and willing, upon such final settlement, duly to account to the plaintiff for the share and interest of the said Edward Greville in the said business, and the assets thereof, and to perform his said promise so as aforesaid made to the plaintiff; yet no such final settlement of the said partnership accounts between the said Edward Greville and the defendant has taken place, and the defendant has, without default on his part, been wholly unable to obtain the same." All these allegations are, in my opinion, fully supported by the defendant's distinct evidence that he "gave the promissory note to be held as a security for the debt, and if I did not account then they would sue me upon the note. I was to pay nothing of the promissory note if the accounts were in my favour. I did not take over the assets and debts, and then give the promissory note to Greville. I handed over the promissory note as a guarantee to account for the money I collected. I have always been prepared to account for any proceeds in the settlement of accounts. No settlement has taken place, and there is nothing due. Money is due to me. Before the promissory note was to be paid a fresh accounting would have to take place. If I did *not* account for the debts the promissory note was to be payable."

The jury therefore, believing, as I presume, his evidence, properly found for defendant on the amended pleas.

As to the second and fourth pleas which charge fraud, I concur with the Chief Justice that there was no evidence of fraud by plaintiff. In other respects I concur with the Chief Justice.

Mr. Justice CHEEKE: I also concur that the verdict cannot be disturbed, although I must confess from the evidence I should have arrived at a different conclusion.

I agree with Mr. Justice Hargrave in opinion that the evidence does in substance support the first plea, but whether this opinion be correct or not it is of no material consequence; for, as remarked by the Chief Justice, any further amendment may even now be made to suit the evidence if asked for. I do not consider the allegation of fraud in the second and fourth pleas supported by the evidence, consequently the verdict upon those issues must be entered for the plaintiff.

Mr. BUTLER, for defendant, subsequently intimated his acceptance of the suggestion of the Court.

MITCHELL AND OTHERS V. WOLFSKEHL.

This was an application on rule nisi, by defendant, calling upon plaintiffs to show cause why the feigned issue directed herein should not be tried at bar.

The Attorney-General, Mr. Darley, and Mr. Salomons, instructed by Messrs. Daintrey and Chapman, appeared in support of the rule; and Sir James Martin, Q.C., Mr. T. J. Fisher, and Mr. Gordon, instructed by Messrs. Norton and Barker, shewed cause against it.

The question for trial arose out of an application by Mr. (or Dr.) Wolfskehl for probate of a will by the late Honorable James Mitchell, M.L.C., of which will he, Wolfskehl, was sole executor. A caveat was lodged by the widow and family of the testator against the grant of such probate. They alleged, first, that the testator was not in a sound and disposing state of mind (*i.e.*, in such a state of mind as that he was capable of making a clear and intelligent disposition of his property) at the time of the execution of such will. Secondly, that if the testator was in a sound disposing state of mind at that time, he was under undue influence obtained over him by Wolfskehl, by means of false representations. Mrs. Mitchell the widow, and her brother, Captain Scott (Police Magistrate of Sydney), claimed to be executrix and executor of a previous will by Dr. Mitchell, made, as they alleged, at a time when he was in a sound disposing state of mind; and being, therefore, his true will. His Honor the Primary Judge had directed a feigned issue, so as to obtain the verdict of a jury on the questions of fact. This issue was to have been tried on Monday last, but was postponed until the 3rd of May next, because there would not be time to close the inquiry, and considerable inconvenience would ensue from breaking it off in the middle. His Honor the Primary Judge having to sit in Equity on Wednesday, and to go on Circuit next week, it was admitted to be certain that the inquiry could not close without an adjournment. A trial at bar was now asked for upon the ground that the case was one of great importance, the value of the property in question being about £100,000, and that questions would arise of great difficulty which could be best determined by the full Court. It was admitted that the present application was one to the discretion of the Court, and that even where the case itself was one of admitted importance, the Court might (as in the Newtown ejectment case, Devine v. Wilson) refuse a trial at bar, if it were thought that a grant of it would materially interfere with the arrangements for the dispatch of judicial business. It was submitted, however, that if the trial at bar were proceeded with on the 3rd of May, there would be no material interference with the other business of the Court. Many questions of difficulty, it was pointed out, would arise as to the question of the testator's state of mind, and as to what would be undue influence. A most material and difficult question, and one upon which the final determination of the issue must, it was urged, in a great measure depend, was on whom the *onus probandi* should be cast. Whether it would be for the plaintiff to do more, in the first instance, than simply to prove the execution of the will, leaving the defendant to impeach it by evidence of insanity or undue influence, and reserving the evidence of sanity and bona fides for reply; or whether the plaintiff would be compelled to go into his whole case on the outset. There would be many other difficult questions, and it would save much expense and delay to have all these questions at once determined by the Court as they arose.

On the other hand, it was urged that there was no precedent for this application. Cases were referred to involving questions of great importance—similar to those raised in the present case—which had been tried in England in the ordinary way, no trial at bar having been applied for.

The CHIEF JUSTICE having inquired whether it would not be just as well that there should be a trial at bar, as that two other members of the Court should sit with his Honor the Primary Judge as assessors. He believed that his Honor had an idea of asking them so to sit in any case; and if this request was made, he for one should be disposed to comply with it. The case was a peculiar one. Dr. Mitchell, whom they all knew during his lifetime, had been connected with one of the oldest families in the colony; and, besides the value of the property involved, a great deal of feeling was likely to be excited. It seemed more convenient that the questions which might arise should be disposed of before three Judges, than that, as was possible, the trial should be gone all over again, because a single Judge might have laid down some principle which the full Court might hold to be wrong.

It was urged in answer to this inquiry that the present case was not such as to call either for a trial at bar, or for the assistance of two other *members* of the Court as assessors. The questions likely to be involved were not more difficult than those which were frequently decided upon by a single Judge at *nisi prius*. The plaintiff himself had opposed even the grant of a jury, upon the ground that this question of fact could be easily determined by the Primary Judge. How then could it now be fairly urged that the presence of the full Court was necessary? If a trial at bar were granted the three Judges might differ in opinion and each might charge the jury according to his own views, thereby creating great confusion. The jury would be confused, in any case, by having the opinion of the three Judges instead of one, and a new trial motion would as certainly follow a trial at bar, as a trial in the ordinary way. It would be safer, therefore, that the ordinary course should be pursued. It was further urged that the present application was irregular, inasmuch as his Honor the Primary Judge was seised of the case. Also, that the only real object must be to prevent the Primary Judge from sitting alone to try the case. A trial at bar ought to be a trial before all the four Judges, who could not sit without material impediment to other public business.

The Court refused the application. The CHIEF JUSTICE had, he said, been at first disposed to think that a trial at bar ought to be granted, but he had arrived, on reflection, at a different conclusion. In the first place, it was clear from what they had seen and heard, that the trial of this issue would take a very long time—probably a fortnight. If a trial at bar were granted, there would while that trial was going on be a stop put to all other business; and he happened to know that there would be a very heavy criminal sittings, and probably a heavy cause list. In the second place, he could find no precedent for the trial at bar of a feigned issue. Thirdly, if the Judge of the Ecclesiastical Court, who was seised of the case, should happen to differ in opinion from the other members of the Court, he would have, on an application being made to him, to direct a new trial against the opinion of the other two Judges, for it seemed to him that such an application would have to be made, and it would be his duty, of course, to act upon his own opinion. Lastly, his Honor did not think that the plaintiff, who had at first declared that the questions were such as could, he believed, be tried by the Judge without a jury, was not now in a position to press for a trial at bar. Mr. Justice HARGRAVE thought that this application ought to have been granted. The case was a peculiar one, and there were no precedents to guide them, but every person had a right, if possible, to get his case disposed of at once before the highest tribunal. The points involved here were of great importance. Not only of importance to the parties themselves, but of general importance. It was desirable that the opinion of the full Court should be obtained upon these questions with the least possible delay, and it had, in his Honor's opinion, been shown on argument that both delay and expense would be saved by the trial at bar. Mr. Justice CHEEKE was of opinion that the necessity for a trial at bar had not been sufficiently made out, and that the course taken by the present applicant went rather to show that there was no such necessity.

Their HONORS declined to make any order as to costs.

NEW TRIAL MOTION.

HADDEN V. AITKEN.

This was an action for seduction in which the defendant had obtained a verdict, and in which a rule nisi for new trial had been granted, upon the ground that there was evidence of loss of service (the plaintiff being the father of the girl alleged to have been seduced); that the Chief Justice who tried the case ought so to have told the jury, and that the verdict ought upon this account to have been for the plaintiff.

Mr. Salomons, instructed by Messrs. Gurner and Robberds, appeared in support of the rule; and Mr. Butler, instructed by Mr. Maguire, in support of the verdict.

Illicit intercourse had taken place between the defendant and the plaintiff's daughter, on occasions when the latter came to the defendant's stores, at Shellharbour, to sell vegetables. This illicit intercourse was not denied by the defendant, although he now denied that he was the father of a child to which she had given birth, and as to which an affiliation order had been made against him on his own admission at the Kiama Police Court. There was other evidence against the assertion of the girl as to defendant's paternity. But the question remained as to whether there had been sufficient loss of service by the very delay of the girl for the purposes of illicit intercourse, to give the plaintiff a right of action. It was contended that—following out the principle of the decision in Potter v. Linden—this detention (admitted by the defendant) was sufficient. On the other hand, it was urged that as the girl had been sent in a cart to sell eggs, vegetables, &c., and to return in the afternoon; and as she did so return as early as usual, there was no loss of service. In other words that it was necessary there should be proof of some actual delay or detention of the girl, however small, having been occasioned by the defendant, at a time when she ought to be engaged in the service of her father, ere the latter could maintain his action. The principal question now raised was whether—the position of the person seduced, as a servant of the plaintiff, being once established—the mere fact of illicit intercourse, at any time or—under circumstances—would be sufficient to raise the legal presumption of loss of service.

The Court sustained the verdict. As in the case of Potter v. Linden, the slightest evidence of an actual loss of service would suffice. There being any evidence, whatever, of this kind, damages could be given for injury to reputation, &c. But there must be some such evidence. There was here evidence to go to the jury of the paternity, but the jury had found that question in the negative, and the Court could not say that they were wrong. Even if a new trial were ordered, there could be no hope of substantial damages being awarded for the seduction of such a person as the plaintiff's daughter was shewn to have been.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COURT.

THURSDAY.

BEFORE District Court Judge DOWLING.

WILSON V. FIELD.

This was an action brought by plaintiff for coals supplied to defendant. Defendant pleaded a set-off for goods supplied by him to plaintiff. Attorney for plaintiff, Mr. Deane; attorney for defendant, Mr. Gannon. Verdict for plaintiff, £15 0s 6d, less the set-off, £2 3s 9d.

O'DONNELL V. LAWLESS.

This was an action brought by William O'Donnell against Thomas Lawless, to recover the sum of £124 for money paid by plaintiff to defendant for the use of the plaintiff; and for money found to be due from defendant to plaintiff, upon accounts stated between them. The cash so paid to defendant amounted to £40, and the cash so received by defendant on account of plaintiff amounted to £84. The case for the plaintiff was conducted by Mr. Edward Bennett, instructed by plaintiff's attorney, Mr. Richard Driver. The case for the defendant was conducted by Mr. Gannon, for the defendant's attorney, Mr. William Roberts. Defendant pleaded that he was never indebted as alleged, and further produced a set-off, the particulars of which amounted to £79 13s. 3d. This set-off showed amounts of cash advanced to defendant in various sums at different dates—beginning from the 21st June, 1867, to the 30th of January, 1869. In this account were also included charges for board and lodging, refreshments, and other items. The main point of the case was the correctness or otherwise of this contra account kept by the defendant against the plaintiff. Verdict for plaintiff, £4 9s., with costs.

BEAZLEY V. PACKER.

This was an action for assault, arising in the bar of a public-house, about some contract. Plaintiff averred that defendant struck him first, but defendant and his witnesses declared that Beazley struck Packer first, and so was chiefly in fault. The affair was only a scuffle, in which Beazley made Packer's eye bleed. Beazley remained about the house afterwards, and challenged Packer to fight him, but Packer would not do so. Beazley was the worse for liquor at the time. Verdict for the defendant. Mr. E. Bennett, instructed by Mr. Driver, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Gannon, for Mr. William Roberts, conducted the case for the defendant.

PARRAMATTA RIVER STEAM COMPANY V. BILLING AND OTHERS.

This was an action to recover a debt of £47 15s. 4d. Verdict by consent, £45 and costs.

ANDREWS V. FRANCIS.

This was an action for work and labour done by a plasterer against which a set-off amounting to the money value of fifteen shillings was pleaded. Mr. Bennett, instructed by Mr. Adams, appeared for the plaintiff, but the defendant conducted his own case. Verdict for plaintiff £10, and costs of three witnesses.

WILTON V. EAMES.

This was an action to recover £20. Plaintiff's case was that defendant Eames had wrongfully converted certain furniture belonging to plaintiff to his (defendant's) use. Plaintiff stated that the furniture was his property—that he had purchased it for his daughter on her marriage, with his own money—for her use and for no other. Did not give the said furniture to her, but only the use of it. It appeared that plaintiff's daughter had married a gentleman named Pryce, and that Mr. and Mrs. Pryce had lodged at Mr. Eames's. The furniture had been sold by Eames for rent so incurred. Verdict for the plaintiff, £19.

Mr. Davis, instructed by Mr. Cooper (for Allen and Bowden), appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Pilcher, instructed by Mr. Curtis (for Mr. Teale, attorney for defendant), conducted the defence. Mr. Pilcher gave notice that he should move for a new trial.

INSOLVENCY COURT.

THURSDAY.

BEFORE the CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

Plans of distribution were confirmed in the estates of John Sloan, George Willson and Co., R. Strachan and Co., Gilfillan and Co., Stephen Poppenhagen, and David S. Mitchell.

Creditors' directions in the estate of James Ponsonby were ratified.

The hearing of the rule nisi in Moor v. Parsons stands over until the 8th April.

Before the REGISTRAR.

In the estate of Charles K. Walter, a special meeting. Five debts were proved.

In the estate of Patrick Kennedy, a special meeting. Three debts were proved.

SURRENDERS.

James Anderson, of Newtown, publican. Liabilities, £382 5s. Assets, £58 17s. 9d. Mr. Humphery, official assignee.

Edward John Scrivener, of George-street, Sydney, draper. Liabilities, £568 10s., of which £82 is secured. Assets, £252 16s. 6d. Mr. Mackenzie, official assignee.

William Smith, of Shoalhaven, carrier. Liabilities, £85 5s. 8d. Assets, £26 10s. 6d. Mr. Sempill, official assignee.

CENTRAL POLICE COURT.

THURSDAY.

BEFORE their Worships the Police Magistrate, Messrs. Levey, Birrell, Oatley, G. Hill, and Barnard.

Of fifteen prisoners who were brought before the Bench, two were discharged and four were remanded.

Five persons were fined 5s. each, and two were fined 10s. each, for drunkenness.

Richard Brailey was found guilty of having wilfully broken a square of glass, the property of Mr. F. G. Kelly, and was ordered to pay 23s. 6d. damages, or to be imprisoned fourteen days.

Margaret Gore was summarily convicted of having stolen a shirt, valued at 5s., the property of John Davies, and was sentenced to be imprisoned one month.

On the summons paper were forty-six cases, of which five were dismissed, seven were postponed, eleven were not prosecuted, and in one a warrant was ordered for the apprehension of the defendant. On the prosecution of the inspector of nuisances four persons were fined 10s. each, and five were fined 20s. each, on conviction of allowing filthy matter to remain before or upon their premises, and for allowing the contents of cesspools to soak out. On the prosecution of the inspector of carriages plying for hire, one person was fined 10s. for negligent driving, and eleven were fined 5s. each, some for driving faster than a walk when passing places of worship on Sunday, and others for loitering.

WATER POLICE COURT.

THURSDAY.

BEFORE the Water Police Magistrate, with Messrs. Tucker, Chatfield, and Hunt.

Mary Segus, locked up for making use of obscene language in Woolloomooloo-street, was sentenced to pay a fine of 40s., in default to be imprisoned for fourteen days.

Michael Robinson appeared in custody charged with unlawfully assaulting and beating his wife, Maria Robinson, for which offence the Bench sent him to gaol for seven days.

John Murphy was fined 5s., in default to be imprisoned for two days, for drunkenness; and Ellen Read and Ellen Ryan, for a similar offence, aggravated by making use of obscene language, were each ordered to pay a penalty of 20s., with the alternative of six days' in gaol.

William Horsley, a deserter from H.M.S. Rosario, was ordered to be sent on board H.M.S. Challenger.

John Adolphus, alias Hennessey, appeared on remand charged with stealing a gold pin valued at 30s. and three half-sovereigns, the property of Henry Driver. Prisoner was committed to take his trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions.

James Anderson, a seaman belonging to the schooner Scotia, was sent to gaol for seven days for being absent without leave from that vessel.

James Goss, J. Smith, William Major, and Nathaniel Peynter, John Olsen, and William Percy were given into custody by Captain Vial, of the barque Minnie Graham, charged with wilful disobedience of lawful commands. The Bench sentenced them to be imprisoned for fourteen days.

A JOLLY WITNESS.

MR. JOHN M'HAFFIE caused some amusement when giving his evidence before the Bribery Committee, now sitting in Melbourne. On Friday last Mr. M'Haffie was called before the committee, when the following scene took place, as reported in the *Argus*:—

The Chairman: Take a seat, Mr. M'Haffie.

Witness: I want to make a remark or two. I was quite astonished at Scott's Hotel this morning to receive this summons to inquire about this case. I don't know anything about it. I don't. I know nothing of politics; nothing at all. I have to look after my sheep, and my wife and family, and I don't know anything about the case. I wish to answer a few questions. I'll do that. As for Mr. Butters, I don't know Mr. Butters. Don't know him at all. I never spoke to him in my life. Never. Any questions you ask me, gentlemen, I shall answer and tell you God's truth. Oh, yes. But you've given me very short notice, and I can't give you dates. I'll tell you all I know, but I can't give you dates.

The Chairman: Will you tell us what you know about this matter?

Witness: Oh, yes; but I want you to put questions to me, and I'll answer them (rising.)

[The Chairman then ordered the room to be cleared of strangers. The witness and the reporters for the press withdrew. After a lapse of about ten minutes, the strangers were readmitted, and the witness's examination proceeded.]

The Chairman: Now, sit down, Mr. M'Haffie, please.

Witness: I will, sir, oh yes (seating himself).

The Chairman: Your name has been mentioned as that of a subscriber to this fund. Witness: I didn't exactly hear what you said.

The Chairman: Your name has been mentioned as that of a subscriber to this fund. Witness: Yes, sir, the Victorian fund.

The Chairman: What was the amount you subscribed? Witness: Well, I believe the amount of my subscription—I don't know. I didn't care much about it; but at the same time, if I gave that fund money it was through Peter Snodgrass and the other—the doctor of Gipps Land—what's-his-name? I remember having been advised to do a very good thing. There was Snodgrass and there was Ryan having all these things, and saying it might add to the value of stock. It had nothing to do with politics at all. Nothing, whatever; for in the very same election I voted for Mr. M'Culloch. (Laughter.) Yes, I did; because they advised me to do it—Ryan and Hammond, and all these people.

Mr. Wilson: It's the amount of money we want, Mr. M'Haffie. Witness: I don't know. I put in the same as all the rest, I suppose. You sent me a summons, and I can't understand what for. I want to tell the truth, and all I know.

The Chairman: Mr. M'Haffie, you can go away, and come back another day. Witness: No, no. I want to have it out now. I want it settled. I am plain John M'Haffie, and I tell you all I know—all I know, as a gentleman. Go on, gentlemen.

The Chairman: No, Mr. M'Haffie, we wont examine you just now. Witness: What, will you allow me to go home to my sheep—to my wife and family? (Laughter.)

The Chairman: Oh yes, you can. Witness: Oh, that's all. But you know now, if I had bolted away, would you take me in charge?

The Chairman: You will be wanted to-morrow, and now leave the room, Mr. M'Haffie. Witness: And I've got to come back to-morrow—eh?

The Chairman: Leave the room, sir. Witness: Very well. But have I got to come back at eleven o'clock—eh?

The Chairman: Leave the room. Witness: All right. I'll go and shake hands with the president before I go. [Witness went to the chairman and took his hand.] Thank you, old fellow. Don't bother the old sheepfarmer and bring him back to-morrow again.

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MERCANTILE AND MONEY ARTICLE.

THURSDAY EVENING.

THE amount of Customs duties received to-day was as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
Brandy	£791	10	5
Gin	65	18	10
Liqueurs, cordials, or strong waters	2	19	6
Whisky	41	16	11
Rum	217	10	0
All other spirits	30	0	0
Wine	16	1	0
Tobacco and snuff	77	6	0
Cigars	46	0	0
Tea	332	17	3
Coffee and chicory	9	18	4
Sugar (unrefined)	200	0	0
Dried fruits	0	14	10
Rice	1	12	0
Bonding warehouse duty	4	5	0
Pilotage	42	15	0
Dues	4	5	0
Ad valorem duty	718	13	10
Total	£2529	0	10

There has been hardly any business done in the import markets to-day, as merchants were engaged with their correspondence for the outgoing mail.

The R.M.S. Avoca takes 147,345 sovereigns.

The Snowbird arrived this evening from Boston, with 1350 cases kerosene oil, 5493 pieces lumber, and other American goods.

To-morrow being a holiday, the produce auctioneers held the whole of their sales to-day. There was a thin attendance of buyers, and only a limited portion of the catalogues were placed, at prices similar to those ruling last week. Annexed are particulars of sales :—

By Messrs. Mort and Co.: LR conjoined, 5 bales greasy wool at 3½d ; PB, 8 at 6½d.; RJR, 8 at 6d. ; CPL, 7 locks at 7½d.; DOR, 21 fleece at 11½d. ; JS over Bondi, 10 at 10d. ; and 11 odd bales ; 5 lots sheepskins at 3½d. to 4½d., 4 lots pelts at 1½d. to 2½d., 58 hides at 18s. 3d. to 19s. 9d., 52 at 8s. to 14s., 5 casks tallow at £35 to £35 5s, 6 at £34 5s., 1 at £33 15s., 4 at £32 10s.

By Mr. Devlin : 4 bales scoured wool at 17½d., 4½ greasy at 3½d to 6d., 1 locks at 7½d., 1 fleece at 10d., 1 pieces at 6d., 6 lots sheepskins at 2½d. to 4½d., 6 lots pelts at 1½d. to 2½d. ; AD, 5 casks beef tallow at £35 ; TH, 12 at £33 10s. ; JD, 6 at £32 15s., 4 at £33 10s., 1 at £34, 2 at £35, 1 mutton at £37 ; 133 hides at 16s. 9d. to 23s. 9d., 71 at 8s. to 12s. 3d. ; calfskins at 2s. 1d., yearlings at 5s. 9d. ; shankbones at £12 ; horns 12s. ; hair 7½d ; collar leather 8s., bridle 11s., calf 3s. 3d.

By Messrs. Richardson and Wrench : C in triangle, 26 bales greasy wool at 6d. ; B, 6 fleece at 13½d. ; Clifton over S&G, 8 greasy at 6d., and 12 bales in smaller lots. Sheepskins realised 4½d. to 5d.

By Messrs. Irwin and Turner : RMP, 5 bales greasy wool at 5½d., locks at 3½d. ; SP over C Boolaroo, 18 at 5½d., 3 damaged at 4d., locks at 1½d. ; R in circle over TL, 22 scoured at 7d. ; Lake Salvator, 20 fleece at 11½d., 2 damaged at 9d., 4 locks at 6½d. ; TL, 30 greasy at 4d. ; B over —, 29 at 14d., and 28 odd bales. Sheepskins realised from 2½d. to 4d, pelts 1½d. The tallow and hides were withdrawn.

Messrs. Harrison and Jones sold 7 lots sheepskins at 2½d. to 5d. ; pelts at 2d. to 2½d. The remainder of their catalogue was withdrawn.

The Alexandra (s.) brings Melbourne papers to the 22nd instant. The *Argus* of that date reports :—

In the import markets to-day business has been quiet, with the exception of the excitement in sugar, which still continues. We hear of some 2000 bags having been disposed of at from £37 10s to £40 for yellows to good yellow crystals. We also understand that arrangements are about being concluded for the dispatch of the Lily to New Zealand with her entire cargo of Mauritius sugar untouched. The damaged portion of the Helen's cargo will be offered for sale on Monday. Breadstuffs evince a still firmer tendency, £14 to £14 5s being asked for best brands of Victorian flour. Wheat is much wanted, and good samples cannot be quoted under 6s. Sales of maize are reported at 4s 5d to 4s 6d. In tobaccos we hear of the disposal of 400 boxes of Bucknor's tens at a very full figure. Sales of teas continue to be reported ; about 200 chests and 200 half-chests of common congous have found buyers at close on 11d. Salt is very firm at £5 10s, and since it has been positively ascertained that the shipments are so extremely light, the trade are beginning to show a desire to operate very freely. In liquids we are informed of the sale of a shipment of Aitken's bottled ale at 8s 9d, to land.

Brisbane advices are to the 22nd. The *Courier* of Saturday states :—

Business has been quiet during the past week, and the markets have undergone but little change. The Winterthur has cleared out for London, with a full cargo of wool, and the Storm King is to clear early next week. The Witch of the Tees and the Maryborough are now loading, and the Ramsey is also on the berth. Flour has again advanced in response to a rise in the Adelaide market. The cause of the advance in Adelaide is stated to be the shortness of the yield in the wheat harvest, which is less than the quantity anticipated by one-third. In this market the stocks on hand are small, and the supplies coming forward are also limited. The only vessel known to be on the way from Adelaide is the Coorong, barque, which is now nearly due. Quotations now range from £16 to £16 10s per ton. Kerosene shows a slight improvement, but the market is not active. Parcels are quoted at 2s 6d to 2s 8d for trade lots. In spirits, the only change is in geneva, which is less firm than it was. We hear of parcels being offered at 12s 6d. Trade lots realise from 11s to 13s 6d. In groceries and oilmen's stores there is little change to note. Maize is dull of sale. There is little coming forward, but sufficient for our daily requirements. The farmers are selling at 3s to 3s 3d, and dealers at 3s 6d per bushel. Potatoes are still scarce, and will remain so until we have direct shipments from Warrnambool and Circular Head, but these we can hardly look for until the middle of next month, when the Warrnambool potatoes may be ready for shipment. In the meantime our supplies are obtained per steamer from Sydney. Present quotations are about £7 to £7 10s per ton.

From Adelaide we have papers to the 19th instant. The latest market intelligence supplied by the *Register* is—

The progressive upward movement in the value of breadstuffs has continued during the past week, and although the actual increase has not been many pence per bushel, the advance has been so far well sustained, and appears likely to be lasting. The English mail could not affect our market in any way, but it opened a more cheering prospect for recent shippers than they at one time anticipated. The real causes of increased rates must be looked for in colonial orders, and in the growing feeling—substantiated by the Agricultural Statistics published to-day—that our own harvest would not produce a good average. Wheat to-day is very firm at 5s 3d for moderate-sized export parcels at Port, one parcel, which was particularly wanted at Port Wakefield, having made 5s 4d. Dray-loads, Town and Port, are 5s. Flour is £12 to £12 5s for good country, and £13 to £13 10s for town brands ; bran is 1s to 1s 1d per bushel ; pollard 1s 3d to 1s 3d ; barley is selling slowly at last quotations—namely, 3s to 3s 4d for Cape, and 4s 10d to 5s 6d for English ; oats, dull at 4s to 4s 6d for Cape and English. General Merchandise.—Several large parcels of merchandise have been placed to-day, consisting of about 2000 boxes candles and upwards of 10 0 cases of kerosene in one line. The prices obtained have not transpired, but we believe at an advance on former rates. We are glad to report an improvement in the import market in one or two articles, and no doubt ere long a speculative demand will spring up for other classes of goods. The business of the week on the whole has not been satisfactory. The only transactions worthy of note have been the several cargoes sold consisting of sugar, timber, &c.

THE CITY BANK.—NOTICE is hereby given, that this Bank allows INTEREST to its customers at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum, on the weekly minimum balance at the credit of their current accounts.
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JOHN SUTHERLAND,
Commissioner for Railways.
Department of Public Works,
Railway Branch,
Sydney, March 23rd, 1869.

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EASTER MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY,
March 29th, 30th, and 31st.
SPECIAL TRAINS will leave Sydney for Homebush as follows, viz. :—10.15, 10.30, 11.0, 11.30 a.m., 12.0 noon, 12.30 and 1.0 p.m.
Returning from Homebush at 3.22, 4.0, 4.30, 5.0, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.0, 6.30, and 7.0 p.m.
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Fares to Homebush and back
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JOHN SUTHERLAND,
Commissioner for Railways.
Department of Public Works,
Railway Branch,
Sydney, March 23rd, 1869.

VICTORIA THEATRE.—TO-NIGHT (Good Friday.) No Performance.

VICTORIA THEATRE.—TO-MORROW (Saturday), MACBETH.

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PROGRAMME.
PART I.
Chorus—" And the glory of the Lord" .... Handel
Motett—" Ecce Deus" ....
Mr. E. AMERY.
Air and Chorus—" O, Thou that tellest" .... Handel
Miss FANNIE.
Offertoriuno—" Ave Maria" .... Al Bauer
Miss ROSINA.
Duet—" Quis est Homo" .... Rossini
Madame and Miss FANNIE CARANDINI.
Aria—" In native worth" .... Haydn
Mr. WALTER SHERWIN.
Aria—" With verdure clad" .... Haydn
Madame CARANDINI.
Chorus—" The Heavens are telling" .... Haydn
PART II.
Trio—" On Thee each living soul awaits" .... Haydn
Miss ROSINA, Messrs. W. SHERWIN and AMERY.
Aria—" O rest in the Lord" .... Mendelssohn
Miss FANNIE.
Duet—" What have I to do with thee?" .. Mendelssohn
Madame CARANDINI and Mr. AMERY.
Aria—" Consider the lillies" .... Glover
Miss ROSINA.
Aria—" If with all your hearts" .... Mendelssohn
Mr. WALTER SHERWIN.
Aria—" Angels ever bright and fair" .... Handel
Madame CARANDINI.
Motett—" Pro peccatis" .... Rossini
Mr. AMERY.
Trio—" Lift thine eyes" .... Mendelssohn
Madame CARANDINI and the Misses CARANDINI.
Chorus—" Hallelujah" .... Handel.

MADAME SOHIER'S WAXWORKS.
267, Pitt-street (adjoining Messrs. Farmer and Co.).
Sole Proprietors and Managers,
Mons. and Madame SOHIER.
Open from 10 a.m. till 10 p.m.
Admission to the whole, 1s ; children, half-price.

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY. — PRACTICE this week on SATURDAY, instead of Friday.

FERNANDEZ'S ROYAL MENAGERIE, now open, opposite Christ Church, George-street. Afternoon Performance at 4 o'clock, evening as usual. Admission, 1s ; children, 6d.

MR. J. CLARK'S Quadrille Assembly Easter Monday. German Band engaged. Colonnade, Elizabeth-st. N.

MR. W. KING'S Quadrille Assembly, Odd Fellows' Hall, Sussex-street EASTER MONDAY NIGHT.

EASTER MONDAY NIGHT.—A handsome series of Dissolving Views will be exhibited at the Temperance Hall.

PHILLIP-STREET PRESBYTERIAN SABBATH SCHOOL EXCURSION TO BALMORAL.—THIS DAY (Good Friday), March 26.—The steamer Fire King will leave the Wharf, foot of John-street, Pyrmont, at half-past 8 o'clock, and the Wharf, Circular Quay, at 9 and 11 o'clock. Tickets—2s each ; children, 1s each—to be had from the Teachers at the Boat. J. Mailer, Superintendent.

PITT-STREET PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL EXCURSION to PEARL BAY, Middle Harbour, on FRIDAY, 26th March. Steamer Pelican will leave the Circular Quay at 9 and 10 a.m. Tickets, 1s 6d each.

PALMER-STREET PRESBYTERIAN DAY and SABBATH SCHOOLS.—Annual EXCURSION to BIRKENHEAD, Parramatta River, THIS DAY, 26th March. The commodious steamer Platypus will start from Woolloomooloo Bay with children at 9, and visitors at 10.30 and 12. Tickets, 1s 6d each, on board. Hot water.

ST. STEPHEN'S PRESBYTERIAN SABBATH-SCHOOL, Macquarie-street.—EXCURSION to Athol Gardens, THIS DAY, 26th March. Tickets, 1s 6d. each from teachers, or on board. Steamer Herald leaves east side Circular Quay—9 with school, 10 and 11 for visitors; returning—6 school, 5 and 7 visitors. Hot water provided.

CREMORNE GARDENS.—EASTER MONDAY.— Two steamers will leave the Circular Quay, foot of Pitt-street, for Cremorne Gardens, at 10, 11, 12 a.m., 1 and 2 p.m. The last boat leaves Cremorne at 7.
Tickets .... One Shilling
The Full German Band will attend.

UNITARIAN CHURCH and SUNDAY SCHOOL. —A Festive Gathering THIS DAY, at Cremorne Gardens. Hot and cold water for the use of picnicing parties. A steamer from the North Shore Ferry, Circular Quay, at 9.30 and 11 a.m.. Return tickets, 1s. 6d.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, SYDNEY SECOND CIRCUIT.—EXCURSION to WASCOE'S, beyond the Zig-zag, top of Lapstone Hill, on EASTER MONDAY, 29th March, 1869. Leaves Sydney station at 20 minutes to 9 a.m. Leaves Wascoe's Station at 5 p.m. Tickets, Three Shillings each. Children under 12 years, half-price. Hot and cold water provided free. A refreshment booth on the ground.
JOSEPH WEARNE, JOHN GRAHAM, } Circuit Stewards.
The scenery is magnificent.

GRAND STEAM EXCURSION TO BIRKENHEAD GROUNDS, PARRAMATTA RIVER, on EASTER MONDAY, 29th March, 1869.—The Committee have made arrangements for a Grand Excursion, on the above day, in aid of the FUNDS of ST. JOHN'S CHURCH and SCHOOL, Kent-street. Two splendid Steamers have been engaged, and will leave the Patent Slip Wharf (off foot of King-street), at 9, 10, 11, 12, and 1 o'clock ; returning so as to land all in Sydney before 7 p.m. A very spacious Marquee will be erected for dancing, and an excellent quadrille band is engaged. There will be a variety of Sports, including Cricket, Foot-ball, Quoits, &c.
Refreshments may be had on the ground, at moderate charges.
Return tickets, 2s ; children, 1s.
JOHN J. LAWLOR, Hon. Secretary.

VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY PICNIC, EASTER MONDAY.
The Steamers COLLAROY and HUNTER from Circular Quay.
F. GUEST, P. DUNNE, } Hon. Secretaries.

ST. PAUL'S PAROCHIAL EXCURSION TRAIN will take up passengers at NEWTOWN, at 9.30 a.m., and PARRAMATTA, at 10 a.m., on EASTER MONDAY.

NEWTOWN CRICKET CLUB.—2nd Eleven Match, on the Newtown Cricket Ground, on SATURDAY, half-past 1 p.m.
THOMAS J. DAY, Hon. Secretary.

SATURDAY (To-Morrow) ALBERT GROUND.— BATHURST ELEVEN v. M. and C. C. C.

ALBERT GROUND, TO-MORROW (Saturday).— The BATHURST ELEVEN in a Grand Match.

TO-MORROW, at ALBERT GROUND.—The Grand Match, BATHURST v. M. and C. C. C.

THE BATHURST CRICKETERS will play at the Albert Ground TO-MORROW (Saturday).

HOMEBUSH RACES.
29th, 30th, and 31st instant.
W. J. O'BRIEN,
of Tattersall's Hotel, Pitt-street,
having purchased the Grand Stand, Refreshment Rooms, and No. 1 Booth at the Entrance Gate, will be prepared to provide for his friends and the public generally, at the ensuing Homebush Race Meet, in his accustomed well-known style.
TO PICNIC PARTIES AND OTHERS.
All Champagne, Wines, Martell's and Hennessy's Brandies, Ales, Porters, &c., will be supplied by the bottle or case at Sydney prices.
W. J. O'BRIEN.

HOMEBUSH RACES.
With reference to the advertisement of Mr. ISAACS, in the EVENING NEWS, of Tuesday, March 23rd, the Homebush Race Committee give notice that ALL GAMBLERS WILL BE EXCLUDED WITHOUT EXCEPTION.
HENRY P. MOSTYN, Secretary.

HOMEBUSH RACES.
NOTICE.
Applications for Refreshment, Fruit, and Cake Stands must be made to the Lessee not later than SATURDAY, noon. Only a limited number allowed.
J. ISAACS, Goulburn-street East.

HOMEBUSH RACES, HOMEBUSH RACES.— EASTER MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, under the patronage and presence of H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh and the Earl of Belmore. Notice. —Vehicles are requested to enter by the upper gate.

HOMEBUSH RACES.
GRAND STAND.
LUNCHEON for the COMMITTEE in the Committee Room.
W. JOHN O'BRIEN,
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LUNCHEON for the PUBLIC in the Public Room.
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LUNCHEON will be provided for his Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh and Guests, in a splendid room under the Grand Stand, on the 29th, 30th, and 31st.
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REFRESHMENTS or all kinds sold in No. 1 Booth, at the entrance gate of the Grand Stand.
W. J. O'BRIEN,
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J. WETHERILL, Pitt-street, is now selling—

Horrockses A, 5½d	Children's drawers, 1s 11d
Horrockses B	Ditto night dresses, 1s 11d
Horrockses H, 8½d	Peplum lace mantles, 12s 9d
Horrockses M2, 9½d	Yak lace shawls, 4s 9d
Horrockses' MT, 10½d	Embroidered scarfs, 2s 11d
Horrockses' BBB, 11½d	Good Scotch winceys, 5½d
72-inch mosquito, 7½d	Silk terry velvets, 1s 11½d
90-inch ditto, 8½d	Cold. patent velvets, 2s 11d
72-inch sheeting, 12½d	Coloured silk velvets, 3s 11d
All linen hucks, 5½d	Furniture dimity, 7½d
New colours de laine, 12½d	Good prints, 4½d
Good cotton tick, 6½d	Saxony Welsh flannel, 12½d

Silk fringes, from 2 to 4 inches wide, 1½d, worth 1s
Black bugle trimmings, from 1d per yard
Silk, satin, and jet buttons, 4½d, worth 1s per dozen.

484, GEORGE-STREET, is the MARKET CLOTH HALL and practical tailoring establishment.

484. TWEED TROUSERS to measure, 15s. Colonial Tweeds, 3s 8d per yard.

484 GEORGE-STREET, is the cheapest house for really first-class clothing to order.

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88, KING-STREET.—The cheapest and best house in the colony for clothing to order.

NEW WINTER WOOLLENS.—Just arrived ex Ben Lomond, and now on SALE, 8 cases of the above, imported direct from the manufacturers. JOHN WILSON, Tailor and Woollen Draper, 624, Wilshire-place.

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ON SALE by the UNDERSIGNED.— SUGARS, medium and fine counters, and superior ration
TEA, in chests and half-chests
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TWINE
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COARSE SALT, in 3-bushel sacks
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BASS'S ALE, in quarts and pints.
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JOSEPH WEARNE, Anchor Flour Mills, foot of Bathurst-street, Sydney.
Superfine Flour, seconds ; kiln-dried, Corn Flour, &c.
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Superfine silk-dressed Adelaide and California, best brands
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AUSTRALIAN White Wine.—Carmichael's celebrated Porphyry, in pints and quarts. Bird, Circular Quay.

AUSTRALIAN Burgundy, a delicious Red Wine, 15s per dozen quarts, or 5s 6d gallon per quarter-cask. H. S. BIRD, Circular Quay.

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OTARD'S Celebrated Old Pale (7 years) BRANDY, in one-dozen cases. Moss and Allt, 143, Pitt-street.

AGENT for Bencraft's OATMEAL, in 14, 28, 56, and 112 lb. bags. W. H. ARIELL. 119, Sussex-st. S.

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AGENT for J. Kitchen and Sons' Yellow and Mottled Soap and Melbourne moulds. W. H. Ariell, Sussex-st.

BORDEN'S Condensed MILK, equal to fresh milk. VENNARD and STEVENS, Agents, 1, Wynyard-street.

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GOOD FRIDAY BUNS for the million, 8d per dozen, at W. PRITCHARD'S Establishments.

EXTRACT OF MEAT.—Ramornie, Clarence River.— W. LARMER, 323, George-street, Sole Agent.

AYER'S SARSAPARILLA, for purifying the blood.
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AYER'S AGUE CURE, a sure cure for Fever and Ague.
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AYER'S WORLD-RENOWNED HAIR VIGOR, restores grey hair to its original colour.
Sold wholesale and retail, by
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TO PROPRIETORS OF ORANGE VINEYARDS. GISHURST'S COMPOUND.—The undersigned have a few cases of the above on hand, which they will SELL direct to Proprietors of Orangeries, at a Reduced Price.
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JOHN MUNRO and SON, Machinery Merchants, King-street, Melbourne.

ENGINES, new and second-hand, portable and horizontal, all sizes ; Spare Boilers, Stampers, Winding Gear, Hydraulic Press, Threshing Machines, Horse-powers, Chaff-cutters, Weighing Machines, Crab Winches, Saw Benches, &c., on SALE. JOHN MUNRO and SON, Machine Merchants, King-street, Melbourne.

WATER TANKS, Water Tanks, Water Tanks for SALE. Apply E. SMITH, Struth's Wharf.

400,000 FEET Baltic Flooring, Oregon, and clear Pine. ROLFE, Circular Quay.

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FOR SALE.—Cargoes of Pine, Beech, Ash, Cedar, and Shingles, very cheap, in lots to suit all buyers. Apply J. B. NORTH and CO., 278, George-street.

FOR SALE, 40 pairs PIGEONS. Mr. Johnston, No. 4, George-street Markets.

FOR SALE, 3 HOUSES, on the Newtown Road, close to Parramatta-street ; also, 1 HOUSE, in Norton-street, Surry Hills.
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HUNTER'S HILL.—For SALE, a stone HOUSE, of 8 rooms, kitchen, laundry, cellars ; garden ; beautifully situated. Lease soon expires. Full particulars, and permission to view, at 155, William-street, Woolloomooloo.

THE Undersigned begs respectfully to draw the attention of visitors to the ensuing Races desirous of a neat turn-out to his present Stock of Vehicles, some of which are very handsome, and cannot be surpassed for quality of workmanship or finish. W. T. ANGUS, Carriage Factory and Show Rooms, 185, Castlereagh-street.

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FOR SALE, 16 first-class BUGGIES, 4 good Dogcarts, and Harness, cheap. GIBSON, 282, Pitt-street.

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APARTMENTS required, by a single Gentleman, in the neighbourhood of Ashfield, Petersham, Newtown, or Enmore, with stabling for a horse. Address, stating terms, to H. B., Post Office, Sydney.

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TO CHEMISTS.—A competent ASSISTANT required. J. Hamilton, 133, Botany Road.

WANTED, a young MAN, accustomed to butchering. Russell, Margaret-street.

WANTED, a strong BOY, to take orders and deliver meat. J. Beattie, Balmain.

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WANTED, to SELL and buy, Books and Furniture. Rushton's, opposite Wesleyan Church, York-street.

WANTED, a small COTTAGE, near South Head Rd. Rent mod. Metzler's Cottage, Rosehill-st., Redfern.

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WANTED, a Man COOK. 16, Sussex-street.

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WANTED, Partial Board and Residence in a private family. Address, with terms, Bachelor, HERALD.

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WANTED, Known, FISH, THIS DAY, at any hour. American Restaurant, Erskine-street.

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WANTED, SERVANTS, of all capacity. The Home, Mrs. Vipond, 24, Burton-street, South Head Road.

WANTED, an experienced WAITER. Apply Cafe de Paris, 135, King-street.

WANTED, Ladies to know Mrs. Welsh's Female PILLS, can be obtained at 107, Liverpool-street.

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WANTED, a MARRIED COUPLE—man to wait and to make himself otherwise useful, wife as cook and housemaid. Apply to R. Towns, Miller's Point.

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WANTED, immediately, in a Protestant School, a young LADY, of piety, to assist in domestic concerns and make herself generally useful. Apply Miss Lester, Lansdown House, Burwood.

WANTED, near Sydney, where another servant is kept, a respectable GIRL, age 15, to nurse and be useful, to whom 4s a week or her clothes would be given. Apply within a week to J. E., Post Office.

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WANTED, to SELL a light American Buggy, bay Horse, and set plated Harness, the lot for £21. Also, a Horse, Spring-cart, and harness, £15.
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WANTED to be known that SWYNY and SON have CLOSED their branch boot shop, No. 81, South Head Road. Customers are solicited to patronise either of their old established places of business—66, Market-street, between George and Pitt streets ; and at 124, William-street, corner of Bourke-street.

WANTED, to BUY Pianofortes, Harmoniums, Marble Washstands, Sewing-machines, Table Linen, and Furniture of every description. Parties breaking up housekeeping or removing from the colony, and wishing to avoid the publicity of a sale by auction, may find the undersigned willing to purchase, for cash, the whole or any part of their goods.
Hardy, Brothers, brokers and valuators,
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A VINEYARD and large GARDEN, in the country, both in good bearing, will be LET at peppercorn rent. Apply, with reference, to J. H. D. Clovelly, Watson's Bay.

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TO CABMEN.—Stables to LET. Apply at 26, Carlton-street. Terms, moderate.

TO LET, ALBERTO-TERRACE, top of William-street, 11 rooms, coachhouse, stable, water, and gas.

TO LET, a Family Residence, good situation ; moderate rent. Apply 119, Castlereagh-street.

TO LET, York-crescent, Petersham, Cottage, 5 rooms, kitchen, good water, yard and garden. Station Master.

TO LET, HOUSE, Horbury-terrace, Macquarie-street. Apply Walford and Sparke, 478½, George-street.

TO LET, 8-roomed HOUSE ; rent very low. C. Bate ; Gainsboro' Villas, Waverley Rd., or 165, Pitt-street.

TO LET, several first-class HOTELS and PUBLIC HOUSES, cheap. C. Bate and Co., 165, Pitt-street.

TO LET, a first-rate Drapery and General STORE, Northern River ; a bargain. Bate and Co., 165, Pitt-st.

TO LET, good 4-roomed HOUSE, Fitzroy-street, near Railway Station ; 10s. W. Bull, Wheelwright.

TO LET, Verandah COTTAGE, 4 rooms and kitchen. Mrs. Crowley, Wellington-street, Kingston, Newtown.

TO LET, SHOP and DWELLING, with fixtures ; lease if required. Apply No. 161, Crown-st., Woolloo'loo.

TO LET, those large business premises now occupied by Messrs. Tweedie and Weston, situate in Wilson-street, Braidwood. Apply D. Cooper and Co.

TO LET, at Woollahra, that most comfortable COTTAGE RESIDENCE and Grounds, at present occupied by Harold Maclean, Esq. ; possession on 1st April. Gorman and Miller, 183, Pitt-street.

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TO LET, these four first-class HOUSES, only recently built, situate in Bligh-street, opposite Union Club. Each house contains 9 rooms, together with bath-room and bath ; gas laid on throughout the premises. For particulars apply to S. Levin, 164, King-street, opposite the Supreme Court.

TO LET, the Family RESIDENCE on the Edgecliffe Road, at present in the occupation of M. C. Machardy, Esq., containing a handsome drawing-room 30 feet by 18 feet, dining-room, parlour, four bedrooms, dress-room, and bathroom ; also kitchen and servants' apartments, coach-house, and stables, garden and large paddock. Apply to Josiah Mullens, 131, Pitt-street.

TO BE LET, in one of the healthiest and most delightful suburbs of the city, a good family RESIDENCE, consisting of eight apartments, with verandah, covered balcony, and large entrance hall, fronting the main road. Omnibuses pass continually to and fro throughout the day ; water and rates paid. Application to H. H. Newman, house, land, and general agent, 126, Elizabeth-street, near King-street.

TO LET, or FOR SALE.
ASHFIELD PARK.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions from S. H. SMYTH, Esq. (in consequence of the departure of his family to Europe) to LET or SELL the above well-known beautifully-situated FAMILY MANSION, together with "The Park," which comprises about thirty-three acres of highly-improved grounds near the Ashfield Railway Station. For cards to view, and further information, apply at the Rooms.

SALES BY AUCTION.

Heavy Draught Horses.
MARTYN and CO. are instructed by Mr. B. Venters to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, on SATURDAY next, 27th instant, at 2 o'clock,
3 very heavy draught horses, accustomed to work together or separately, and subject to any trial. These horses have been working on the Great Western Railway works, and can be recommended.

SATURDAY'S Regular Sale.
Household Furniture and Sundries.
At the Commercial Exchange Auction Rooms, 278, George-street, opposite Jamison-street.
J. B. NORTH and CO. will sell by auction, on SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at 11 o'clock,
A large quantity of household furniture, fancy goods, &c. ; together with the following under a bill of sale : —10 hogsheads rum in bond, 5 quarter-casks port wine, 15 casks bottled ale, 10 dozen wine.
Terms, cash.

On SATURDAY, 27th March, at 11 o'clock.
At the Australian Auction Rooms, Pitt-street.
Highly Important Sale by Auction,
of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, AND EFFECTS.
Very Elegant Drawing-room Suite
Superb Trichord Cottage Pianoforte, by Broadwood
Massive Dining-room suite, covered in morocco
Mahogany Escritoire Book Case
Walnut Wardrobe, plate glass centre door
Marble-slab Washstand and Dressing Table
Brass State Bedstead and Bedding
China, Glass, Electroplate, Engravings, &c., &c., &c.
To parties Furnishing, Dealers, and others.
BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have instructions to sell by auction, at their Rooms, Pitt-street, next HERALD Office, on SATURDAY, 27th March, at 11 o'clock,
A valuable lot of household furniture and effects.
Terms, cash.

On SATURDAY, March 27, at 11 o'clock.
At the Australian Auction Rooms, Pitt-street.
To Furniture Dealers and others.
Important Unreserved Sale, by Auction, of
60 Nests China Clothes Baskets, each 3
Fancy Paper and other Baskets
16 Nests Camphor-wood Trunks, each 4
8 Camphor-wood Drawers, with Secretaries
Chinese Curiosities, &c., &c.
Just landed ex Joshua Bates.
BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions from Messrs. Smith, Brothers to sell by auction, at their Rooms,
Ex Joshua Bates,
Camphor drawers, trunks, and Chinese clothes baskets.
Terms, liberal, at sale.

On SATURDAY, March 27th, at 11 o'clock.
At the Australian Auction Rooms, Pitt-street, next the HERALD Office.
Important Unreserved Sale by Auction,
of
790 Rolls China Matting,
3-4, 4-4, 5-4, 6-4, White and Coloured.
Balance of Shipment ex Melrose, from Hongkong.
To close accounts.
To Storekeepers
Drapers
Furniture Warehousemen
Speculators, and others.
BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions from Messrs. A. Tange and Co., to sell by auction, at their Rooms, on SATURDAY, March 27th, at 11 o'clock,
About 790 rolls China matting.
Terms, liberal at sale.
The particular attention of the trade is invited to this unreserved sale of the only lot of China matting in the market.

In the Insolvent Estate of E. J. Scrivener.
By order of J. P. Mackenzie, Esq., Official Assignee.
FRIDAY, April 2nd.
MR. CHARLES TEAKLE has been instructed by the Official Assignee in the above estate to sell by auction, at his Rooms, Wynyard-street, on FRIDAY, April 2nd, at half-past 10 o'clock,
The entire stock-in-trade of ready-made clothing, shirts, hosiery, &c., &c.
Terms, cash.

Postponed until THURSDAY, April 1st.
40 Bales Paperhangings.
Without reserve.
RICHARD PEEK and CO. are instructed to sell by auction, at the Exchange Auction Rooms, 273, George-street, THURSDAY, April 1st, at 11 o'clock prompt,
40 bales, 10,000 pieces, paperhangings, borders, and centres, comprising the newest and most elegant designs and patterns, and of all qualities and prices.
Terms at sale.
No reserve.

Preliminary.
Imperative Sale of 86 Packages, now landing ex Nineveh, J. R. Worcester, and recent arrivals,
consisting of
General Drapery, Manchester Goods, Dress Materials, Woollens, Clothing, &c., &c.
On THURSDAY, 1st, and FRIDAY, 2nd April.
Commencing each day at 11 o'clock prompt.
CHAS. MOORE and CO. are instructed by the importers and consignees to sell by auction, at their Rooms, Pitt-street, as above.
86 packages of new and choice goods, now landing.
Particulars in a future issue.

SATURDAY, March 27, 1869.
On account of whom it may concern.
30 CASES IMPERIAL PORTER.
JOHN G. COHEN will sell, at the Bank Auction Rooms, on SATURDAY, March 27, at 11,
The above.
Terms, cash.

WEDNESDAY, March 31st, 1869.
50 Packages.
Invoice of N. Joseph's.
48 Packages Boots and Shoes
Military Bluchers
Women's Boots.
Now landing ex James Wooster.
Under instructions from Messrs. Scott, Henderson, and Co.
To Boot and Shoe Makers, Storekeepers, and others.
JOHN G. COHEN will sell, at the Bank Auction Rooms, March 31st, 1869, at 11 o'clock precisely,
50 packages,
Invoice of Nathan Joseph's
Superior boots and shoes
Women's lasting, kid, and children's boots and shoes.
Invoice of 48 packages,
Military bluchers
Women's lasting and kid boots.
Terms at sale.

Preliminary Notice.
Extensive Sale of Tobaccos, Wines, Teas, Cigars, &c.
For Positive Sale, to close an account.
R. F. STUBBS and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at the Rooms, on an early day,
600 packages wines, in bulk and case ; spirits, tobaccos, cigars.
Full particulars in an early issue.
Terms at sale.

In the Estate of the late Mr. John Pogson, deceased.
Parramatta North.
Newtown.
GILBERT H. SMITH has been instructed to sell by auction, at Mr. R. Dunn's, corner of George and Church streets, Parramatta, on THURSDAY, 8th April, at 12 o'clock,
All that allotment of land situate in North Parramatta, being allotment No. 6 of section 40, bounded by Brickfield and Albert streets, and containing 1 rood, 6¼ perches, sold as lot 27. November 23, 1857.
NEWTOWN.
All that portion of land, being lot No. 16 of section 3, of the Bello Retiro Estate, situate in Maria-street, Newtown. The whole is enclosed, and a snug little cottage is erected on the property.
Terms, cash.

In the Estate of the late Mr. John Pogson, deceased.
SOUTH COLAH.
Pennant Hills.
GILBERT H. SMITH has been instructed to sell by public auction, on the Ground, at Pennant Hills, on WEDNESDAY, 7th April, at 12 o'clock,
The following choice properties :—
Lot 1.—40-ACRE FARM, situated at Pennant Hills, with orchard, buildings, &c. (known as the Homestead).
Lot 2.—60-ACRE FARM (Castle Hills), adjoining Reynold's and Shepherd's farms. Splendid land, part cleared.
Lot 3.—40-ACRE FARM, situate at South Colah, being the land proclaimed as lot 64, on the 22nd September, 1854.
Lot 4.—40-ACRE FARM, at South Colah, adjoining lot 3, being the land proclaimed as lot 63, on 22nd September, 1854.
Lot 5.—50-ACRE FARM at South Colah, being the land proclaimed as lot 62, on 22nd September, 1854.
Lot 6.—50-ACRE FARM at South Colah, adjoining lot 5, being lot proclaimed as lot 2, on the 7th of July, 1863.
Lot 7.—10-ACRE FARM, adjoining lot No. 1.
Terms at sale.

FOR SALE, by public auction, at Milton, on WEDNESDAY, 31st instant, at 10 a.m.,
4 farms, of 500 acres each, adjoining the Croobyar and Whappindilly Estates, near Milton and the harbour of Ulladulla, to which there is weekly steam communication.
Lot 5.—32 acres near the above
Lot 6.—A snug little farm of 46½ acres, on the public road, partly cleared and fenced. The adjoining farm realised £30 per acre.
Lot 7.—2 allotments amongst the best in Milton, on which is erected an iron store, &c. ; unfailing water on all these properties.
Terms, half cash, and the residue may remain secured on the properties at 8 per cent.
Capitalists would find this an advantageous opportunity for investment.
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W. MONKS, Auctioneer.

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